## Taking a Company Public: Key Legal and Business Considerations

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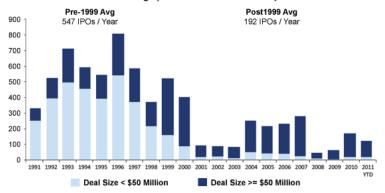
## **Agenda**

- IPO Market Outlook
- Key JOBS Act Reforms
- Typical IPO Timeline
- Decision to Go Public
- Due Diligence/Other Offering Considerations
- Employee Compensation



## **Background on JOBS Act**



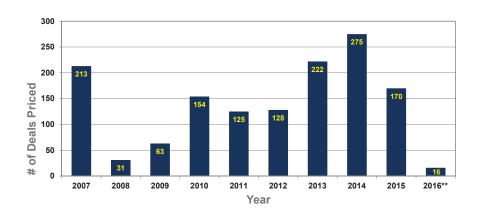


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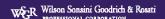
# IPO Market Outlook U.S. IPO Pricing Activity 2007 to 2016\*



\* Source: Renaissance Capital LLC

\*\* Through May 3, 2016

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#### **Key JOBS Act Reforms**

- Regulatory on ramp for emerging growth companies (EGC)
  - Up to 5 year transition for certain public company rules
- Reduced disclosure burdens
  - Cost savings and ease of process
- Liberalized IPO communications process
  - Previewing investor interest ("testing the waters")
- A la carte approach
  - Case-by-case analysis taking into account marketing, issuer specific and materiality considerations
- · Market practices still evolving

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### **Definition of Emerging Growth Company**

- An EGC has less than \$1 billion in annual gross revenue during its most recent fiscal year and will be an EGC until the earlier of:
  - The last day of the fiscal year during which its annual gross revenues exceed \$1 billion;
  - The last day of the fiscal year following the fifth anniversary of its IPO;
  - The date on which it will have issued more than \$1 billion in non-convertible debt in the last three-year period; and
  - The date it becomes a "large accelerated filer" (nonaffiliated market cap >\$700 million with at least one Form 10-K filed)
- Nearly all technology IPOs are for EGCs

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