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Bio

Gabriela Dupuis is an Associate in DarrowEverett’s Corporate & Business Transactions and Data Privacy & Cybersecurity Practice Groups. She brings a background in matters involving corporate law, contracts, data privacy, and cybersecurity. Gabriela advises clients across a range of industries, helping them navigate complex legal and regulatory challenges with practical, business-focused solutions.

Practice Areas

- Corporate & Business Transactions
- Data Privacy & Cybersecurity
- Intellectual Property & Technology
- Regulatory & Compliance

Prior Experience

Prior to joining DarrowEverett, Gabriela served as a legal consultant for an agricultural business, where she drafted and reviewed operating agreements, training and breeding contracts, and advised on state regulatory compliance in business and agricultural operations.

She also completed a legal externship at a global gaming company, where she assisted with vendor agreements, corporate governance, and privacy compliance, including GDPR and global data transfer obligations. Through this role, she gained experience with regulated industries such as gaming, sports betting, and iGaming.

In addition, Gabriela has supported litigation matters involving criminal defense, personal injury, and family law.

Representative Matters

- Served as sell?side counsel to Young American Food Brands and Trivest Partners in the sale of Young American Food Brands to Falfurrias Management Partners, a private equity firm focused on growth?oriented middle?market businesses. Our team guided the transaction from exit preparation through closing, advising on deal strategy, structuring, diligence readiness, negotiation, and execution. Working seamlessly with management, ownership, and financial advisors, we helped deliver a smooth and successful transaction that aligned strategic objectives with long?term growth opportunities. Our corporate, real estate, employment, and tax teams worked seamlessly to deliver comprehensive sell?side representation tailored to a rapidly scaling business with layered operational and transactional considerations.
- Represented a prominent private investment firm and its portfolio company, a leading operator of coin-operated amusement machines, in the acquisition of select contracts for a handful of locations from two coin-operated amusement machine businesses, representing a portion of the sellers' overall operations, for an aggregate eight-figure purchase price. Each transaction was structured as a separate sign-and-close deal due to the need for regulatory approval. The representation involved comprehensive due diligence, structuring, and negotiation of asset purchase agreements for both transactions, including detailed schedules addressing the transfer of gaming equipment, route locations, and customer contracts. We navigated the unique regulatory considerations applicable to the coin-operated amusement industry, ensuring compliance with state licensing and permitting requirements governing the operation and placement of amusement machines. A critical component of the

engagement involved documenting an amendment to the portfolio company's existing credit agreement to facilitate the funding of the acquisitions. DE also coordinated closing logistics across both transactions, managing the execution of purchase agreements, bill of sale documentation, and assignment of location agreements.

- Represented a New York-based private investment firm and its portfolio company, a multistate pawn shop platform, in connection with a multi-phase rollup acquisition of pawn shops. Over the course of three months, we structured and closed seven separate acquisition transactions, resulting in the purchase of 17 retail pawn shop locations across four states for an aggregate eight-figure purchase price. The engagement required coordination of numerous complex deal elements across multiple rolling closings, including the negotiation and execution of both asset purchase agreements and a stock purchase agreement. A significant component of the representation involved navigating the highly regulated pawn and dealer licensing requirements in each of the four states, ensuring proper applications, transfers, and regulatory approvals were obtained to permit continued operations immediately upon closing. The real estate workstream included the review, negotiation, and assignment of existing commercial leases, as well as the negotiation of new leases for locations where the underlying real estate was owned by the sellers, and landlord consents where required. We worked closely with landlords and sellers to ensure seamless transitions of occupancy rights and compliance with all lease assignment provisions.
- Represented a real estate client in designing and implementing a multi-layered management and control framework intended to ensure continuity of operational control without altering equity ownership. The engagement included a detailed evaluation of all existing operating agreements, loan documents, and 30+ years of corporate records spanning more than a dozen projects in various stages of development and stabilization; the amendment and restatement of project-level operating agreements; and the creation of a centralized management company which, together with a reconstituted corporate parent under a new board of directors governance structure, established a clear succession and decision-making framework designed to preserve stability, transparency, and institutional governance.

Insights

- What to Expect When You're Expecting … an Exit: Governance, People, and the Exit Process - via JD Supra, July, 2026
- What to Expect When You're Expecting … an Exit: Legal, Structural & Compliance Prep - via JD Supra, July, 2026
- What to Expect When You're Expecting … an Exit: Financial & Tax Readiness - via JD Supra, June, 2026
- Tracking Pixel Litigation Expands: A State-by-State Guide to Wiretapping Risk

- With Expiration of CISA 2015, Cyber Threat Sharing Faces New Risks - via JD Supra, November, 2025

Bar Admissions

- Massachusetts

Education

- Roger Williams University School of Law, J.D., *cum laude*
- Roger Williams University, M.A., Cybersecurity, *summa cum laude*
- Salve Regina University, B.A., Administration of Justice, *magna cum laude*

Accolades

- CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Legal Writing
- CALI Excellence for the Future Award, Corporate Counsel