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Paul, Weiss Adds M&A Partner in London

New York and London, April 10, 2024 – Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP announced today that Matthew Hearn will be joining the firm as a partner in the Mergers & Acquisitions practice in the Corporate Department, resident in London. Hearn advises across a broad range of corporate transactions and advisory matters, with particular experience in public company takeovers and complex private M&A, as well as transactions and advisory matters within the financial services sector.

“We are delighted to welcome Matthew, who has advised on many of the most significant public company deals in Europe,” said Paul, Weiss Chairman Brad S. Karp. “His arrival will further enhance our ability to provide our public company and private equity clients with market-leading advice on their most business-critical transactions across Europe and globally.”

“Matthew brings a wealth of experience and expertise in public takeovers and complex private M&A, as well as in the financial services sector – all areas of significant interest among our clients,” said Roger Johnson, global co-chair of the M&A practice and co-head of the London office. “We are excited that he is joining our growing London office.”

Hearn has considerable experience advising international and domestic acquirers as well as targets in recommended, hostile and competitive situations. He has also advised on numerous complex private M&A transactions as well as transactions and advisory matters in the financial services sector.

Hearn is ranked by *Chambers and Partners 2024* in Corporate/M&A: \$800 million plus and by *UK Legal 500* in M&A: Upper Mid-Market and Premium Deals. His recent representations include advising Spirent Communications in relation to its competing takeover offers from Viavi Solutions and Keysight Technologies; Mondri in relation to its proposed all-share combination with DS Smith; Ageas in relation to its proposed takeover of Direct Line; PIMCO in relation to its sale of its stake in Hellenic Bank to Eurobank; Tate & Lyle on the separation and sale of a controlling stake in its primary products business to KPS Capital Partners; Jardine Matheson on the sale of the Jardine Motors Group to Lithia; Vistry Group on its recommended

cash and share combination with Countryside Partnerships; and WSP Group on its competing takeover of RPS Group as well as its acquisition of the John Wood Group's E&I business. He has also advised Lloyds Banking Group, Santander, Schroders, Rothesay Life, Old Mutual and RSA in connection with various transactions and advisory matters.

Hearn earned his Bachelor of Commerce and Bachelor of Laws, with first-class honors, from Monash University, Melbourne, Australia. He is admitted as a solicitor in England & Wales as well as Australia.

The Paul, Weiss Mergers & Acquisitions Practice works with leading private equity firms and many of the world's largest, most prominent publicly traded and privately held companies, as well as financial advisors and other financial institutions and investors, on the full range of business-critical transactions.

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