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## FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

# Antitrust Partner to Join Paul, Weiss in London

**New York and London, February 7, 2024** – Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP announced today that Annie Herdman, a market-leading partner to private equity and corporate clients on EU and UK competition law, will be joining the Antitrust Group as London Head of Antitrust and Foreign Direct Investment. Herdman advises clients on EU, UK and multi-jurisdictional merger control and foreign investment strategy and filings, as well as on EU and UK cartel investigations and antitrust compliance issues.

“Annie is a dynamic, talented star in her field,” said Paul, Weiss Chairman Brad S. Karp. “She brings a wide range of expertise advising top global private equity and corporate clients on their most complex and high-stakes global antitrust matters. We couldn’t be happier that Annie will be joining our full-service practice in London.”

“Annie is the go-to advisor for a number of leading private equity firms and strategics in Europe and is a terrific addition to our London partner team,” said Roger Johnson, co-head of the London office and global co-chair of M&A. “She is an invaluable addition to our antitrust and foreign direct investment practice in London and globally, and we are thrilled that she is joining us.”

“We are building the market-leading European private equity and corporate team in London and Annie is a fulcrum part of the team,” said Neel V. Sachdev, co-head of the London office and global co-chair of Finance and Capital Markets. “We have now hired a full bench of top-tier partners to advise private equity and corporates on private and public M&A, debt financing, capital markets, tax, antitrust and FDI, and IP and technology.”

Herdman has been recognized by *The Legal 500* as a “Next Generation Partner” and a “Rising Star” and by *Who’s Who Legal* as a “Thought Leader” and a “Global Leader,” one of only four UK practitioners listed. She was recently included in *Global Competition Review’s* list of the world’s top competition lawyers under 40; named by Law.com International as one of the “Best Up-and-Coming Female

Lawyers” in the UK; and recognized by MergerLinks as one of the “Top 30 Antitrust Lawyers in EMEA.” Herdman is co-chair of the ICC’s Merger Control Task Force.

Herdman has acted for leading private equity firms and companies on a range of significant antitrust matters, including advising Advent International on its investments in Baxter International Inc.’s BioPharma Solutions business; Bain Capital on its acquisitions of Outsourcing Inc., Mash Holdings and Caverion Corporation; Berkshire Partners on its acquisition of a majority stake in AHEAD; Cinven on its acquisitions of TaxAct, MBCC Admixtures and Archer Technologies; CIRCOR International in its take-private sale to KKR; CVC Capital Partners and its portfolio company System C on the acquisitions of Clevermed and Oxford Computer Consultants; HIG Capital in connection with its acquisition of Avient Corp's Distribution Unit; Kohlberg & Company on its strategic investment from BlackRock Alternatives Long Term Private Capital; and numerous other transactions.

Herdman earned her LL.B., with first class honors, from the University of Exeter. She is admitted to practice in England and Wales, Ireland and Brussels.

The Paul, Weiss Antitrust Practice advises clients on a full range of global antitrust matters, including antitrust regulatory clearance, government investigations, private litigation, and counseling and compliance. The firm represents clients before antitrust and competition authorities in the United States, the European Union, the United Kingdom and other jurisdictions around the world.

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