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Leading Antitrust Advisor Nicole Kar Joins Paul, Weiss in London

New York and London, December 19, 2023 – Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP announced today that Nicole Kar will be joining the firm in London as global co-chair of the Antitrust Practice and as a partner in the Litigation Department. Kar advises clients on merger and foreign investment reviews, cartel and market sector investigations and competition law in the European Union and the United Kingdom.

"Nicole is an extraordinary antitrust advisor with decades of global experience, and we are thrilled to welcome her to the firm," said Paul, Weiss Chairman Brad S. Karp. "Nicole's expertise in merger control and foreign investment, cartel matters and competition law issues will bolster our market-leading practice and significantly benefit our clients, which are navigating an increasingly challenging antitrust and regulatory environment."

"Our clients require the most sophisticated and cutting-edge EU and UK antitrust advice in connection with their M&A transactions, and Nicole is among the top lawyers in this area," said Corporate Department Chair Scott A. Barshay. "We are very happy Nicole will be joining Paul, Weiss."

Recognized as a top-tier antitrust lawyer by *Chambers UK*, *The Legal 500 UK* and *Global Competition Review*, Kar has led over 40 significant merger control investigations before European and UK authorities and coordinates global merger control and foreign investment reviews. Kar is also a highly regarded cartel specialist, regularly advising clients on global investigations by competition, financial services and other regulators; compliance issues; self-reporting; and significant litigation.

"Nicole is a leading antitrust and foreign investment adviser in the European market," said Neel V. Sachdev, co-head of the London office. "This is a major step for Paul, Weiss in building a full-service team across M&A, debt financing, capital markets, tax and now antitrust in Europe."

Kar represents Novozymes on global merger clearances in relation to its \$17 billion merger with Chr. Hansen; co-advised Viasat on the UK clearance following the

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CMA's Phase II review of Inmarsat plc; advised Comparethemarket in relation to its successful overturning of a CMA infringement decision in relation to most favored nation clauses; and advises companies in relation to two of the three CMA excessive pricing infringements.

Kar is chair of the City of London Law Society's Solicitors' Competition Law Committee; a specialist adviser to the Department of Business and Trade Committee of the UK Parliament; and previously advised the Foreign Affairs Committee of the UK Parliament, which reported on the UK National Security and Investment Act. She earned a B.A., Double Major Japanese, and a Bachelor of Laws from the University of Queensland, where she was awarded a University Medal.

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