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Executive Compensation Partner Joins Paul, Weiss in New York

New York, June 15, 2026 — Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP announced today that Linda Barrett has joined the firm in New York as a partner in the Executive Compensation Department. Barrett advises private equity funds and public companies on the executive compensation aspects of a wide range of corporate transactions.

“Linda’s deep experience advising some of the largest private equity firms on compensation and benefits matters will be a tremendous asset to our clients, whose need for sophisticated advice in this area continues to increase,” said Jean McLoughlin, co-head of Paul, Weiss’s Executive Compensation Department. “We are excited to welcome Linda to our team.”

“Linda brings executive compensation expertise that will further strengthen our established practice at Paul, Weiss,” said Matthew Friestedt, co-head of the firm’s Executive Compensation Department. “We are confident that she will make an immediate and meaningful impact for our clients.”

Barrett advises on executive compensation issues and ERISA matters that arise in mergers and acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, take-privates, sales, spin-offs, initial public offerings and other deals. She also designs and implements compensation and benefit programs, including negotiating executive employment and separation arrangements for both companies and executives. Her clients have spanned the technology, financial services, fintech, energy, media and entertainment, business services and transportation sectors, among others.

Barrett has advised on benefits and compensation matters on many significant transactions, including KKR’s acquisition of Broadcom’s end-user computing division; New Mountain Capital’s strategic investment in the non-attest business of Grant Thornton Advisors LLC; and Blackstone Real Estate Income Trust’s acquisition of Preferred Apartment Communities.

Barrett earned a B.A. from Hofstra University and a J.D. from Rutgers Law School, where she was the editor of *Rutgers Law Review*.

The Paul, Weiss Executive Compensation Department plays a key role in public and private corporate transactions and restructurings. From creating, negotiating and modifying change-in-control arrangements to addressing issues that arise in connection with benefit plans and other employee obligations, the group provides sophisticated advice to help our clients execute their most complicated strategic deals.

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