

Proskauer Continues Growth of Global M&A Practice with Addition of Corporate Private Equity Partners James Lee and Jae Woo Park

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March 23, 2020 (New York) – International law firm Proskauer announced today the arrival of James Lee and Jae Woo Park as partners in its M&A practice. They will both be based in the New York office.

"As we expand our global M&A team, James and Jae epitomize the entrepreneurial spirit that Proskauer prides itself on cultivating," said Steve Ellis, Chair of the Firm. "We have worked on many industry transforming deals over recent months and we welcome their cross sector strength and depth of experience to expand our expertise."

- Mr. Lee has extensive experience advising private equity funds, growth equity funds, venture capital funds and other private investment firms and their portfolio companies in a variety of domestic and cross-border transactions including mergers and acquisitions, leveraged buyouts, growth equity investments, AIV structure transactions, recapitalizations, reorganizations, acquisitions and divestitures, and debt and equity security investments. He represents clients across a spectrum of sectors including health care, FinTech, manufacturing and industrials, technology and internet products and services, including industrial technology and digital health technology. Mr. Lee also advises private equity funds in connection with fund formation, launch and management matters, and advises private investment funds in the formation, offering and management of special purpose investment vehicles, including pledge-capital arrangements. Mr. Lee is the recipient of the 40 under 40 Emerging Leader Award in 2018 from M&A Advisor.
- Mr. Park advises and counsels public companies and financial sponsors, including private equity funds and their portfolio companies and sovereign wealth funds, on a broad array of U.S. and cross-border transactions including leveraged buyouts, mergers, equity purchases, asset acquisitions, strategic investments, joint ventures and dispositions. He represents clients in a range of industries including health care, industrial, technology, financial services and aerospace and defense.

James noted about joining Proskauer, "We are excited to be joining a platform that has been built with a focus to service all the critical needs of global asset managers in any economic climate. We look forward to expanding Proskauer's presence in the private equity market and, in particular, to leverage its industry leading expertise in the areas of healthcare and technology."

Jae Woo noted that "Proskauer, with its progressive culture and entrepreneurial approach, fits in nicely with our values and principles, and that of our existing clients. We are delighted to join a leading M&A practice and to be working alongside such exceptional lawyers."

Proskauer's M&A practice stands alone among its peers in the legal industry, with an unmatched combination of deep sector knowledge and transactional strength. We are consistently recognized as among the best by leading business and legal publications, including Chambers and The Legal 500. With a transactional presence in the United States, Europe, Asia and Latin America, we have a deep understanding of the structuring, cultural and procedural issues that are often at the center of complex cross-border transactions. We provide strategic, disciplined and commercial advice geared towards achieving our clients' goals in an efficient and practical manner.

Recent headline representations include Leisure Acquisition Corp. in its \$1.115 billion merger with Gateway Casinos & Entertainment; Public Interest Registry, which operates and manages the .ORG domain, in its pending \$1.135 billion sale to Ethos Capital; Bed Bath & Beyond Inc. in its entry into a definitive agreement to sell its PersonalizationMall.com business to 1-800-FLOWERS.COM, Inc.; Comtech Telecommunications Corp.'s in its entry into a definitive agreement to acquire Gilat Satellite Networks Ltd. and Discovery Inc.'s acquisition of Latin American Golf, S.L., which operates Golf Channel Latin America, from Simple Networks LLC and Inversiones Bahia.

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