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### Paul, Weiss Adds Leading Asset Management M&A and Secondaries Partner

**New York and London, March 20, 2024** – Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP announced today that asset management transactional specialist James King will join the firm as a partner in the Corporate Department, resident in London. King will advise clients across a full spectrum of fund and sponsor transactional matters.

"We are delighted to welcome James, a talented asset management M&A and secondaries lawyer who has advised on some of the most complex and innovative business transactions in the investment funds industry," said Paul, Weiss Chairman Brad S. Karp. "He will enhance our ability to serve our funds clients in the UK and EU markets in their most important transactions."

"James brings invaluable, market-leading experience in asset management and secondaries market transactions, areas of strategic importance for our private equity clients," said Neel Sachdev, London office co-head and global co-chair of Finance and Capital Markets. "His arrival marks another important milestone in the expansion of our global private equity advisory capabilities in London."

King specializes in sponsor strategic and secondaries transactions, including GP minority stake transactions, fund and sponsor-level preferred equity transactions, joint ventures and other strategic acquisitions or disposals of asset management businesses, as well as the full spectrum of transactions in the private funds secondary market. His recent representations include Park Square Capital on its strategic minority investment by Bonaccord Capital Partners; IK Partners on its sale of a controlling interest to Wendel; Synova on its sale of a minority stake to Bonaccord Capital Partners; Coller Capital on its strategic minority investment from Hunter Point Capital; PAI Partners on its strategic minority investment by Dyal Capital, a division of Blue Owl Capital; and Basalt Infrastructure Partners on the strategic investment by Colliers into Basalt.

The Paul, Weiss Private Equity Group advises the world's largest and most sophisticated alternative asset management firms and their portfolio companies,

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as well as up-and-coming investment funds, on their most complex M&A transactions, minority investments, financing and capital markets solutions and fund formation matters. Leveraging vast experience across sectors, geographies and investment strategies, we provide best-in-class counsel on every facet of our clients' business, and across the full investment lifecycle.

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