

Proskauer Advises EMK Capital on £575 million Debut Fund

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May 17, 2017 (London) – International law firm Proskauer advised EMK Capital LLP on closing its debut fundraising. EMK Capital Partners LP was oversubscribed and hit its £575 million hard cap. The fund attracted investors from across the globe, with a large contingency of U.S. investors. It will focus on opportunities in small and mid-cap companies in the UK.

EMK Capital, a spinout from Bregal Capital, was founded by Edmund Lazarus, the co-founder of Bregal Capital, and Mark Joseph, a former partner at Oakley Capital. Proskauer also advised on the spin out.

Edmund and Mark commented: “Nigel and his team provided excellent advice and insight and were important contributors to this highly successful process. We look forward to continuing to work with them in the future.”

“We were delighted to be EMK’s legal partner on this fundraising,” said Nigel van Zyl, partner and head of Proskauer’s European Private Investment Funds team. “Mark and Edmund’s strong track record, as well as the fund’s compelling investment strategy which attracted a global investor base, resulted in a very successful first time fundraise.

The Proskauer team was led by partner Nigel van Zyl, and included associates Andrew Shore, Qasam Mahmood, and Matthew Standen (Corporate) as well as partner Catherine Sear and associate Daniella Abel (Tax) and special regulatory counsel John Verwey (Regulatory). Senior counsel Marguerite Lombardo provided U.S. tax advice.

Proskauer’s global Private Investment Funds Group has represented sponsors in closing more than 450 funds with over \$120 billion in committed capital, and closed more than 1,200 investments in all types of funds representing over \$50 billion since 2012. We also advised on over 275 secondary purchases and sales with an aggregate value of \$30 billion.

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