

Proskauer Welcomes Corporate Partner Mary Wilks in London

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Will Bring Deep Expertise on Antitrust and Competition Law to Transactional Matters

LONDON, April 25, 2023 - Leading international law firm Proskauer is pleased to welcome Mary Wilks as a partner in its Mergers & Acquisitions practice. Mary will be based in the Firm's London office and brings to the firm deep expertise in UK and European antitrust and competition law, particularly in the context of transactional matters.

"I am delighted to welcome Mary to our growing team in London," said <u>Steven Davis</u>, cohead of Proskauer's Mergers and Acquisitions practice as well as its London office.

"Mary's addition will allow us to nimbly respond to a shifting UK and European competition landscape and will add further senior expertise as we continue to serve the needs of the international asset management community."

Mary's practice focuses on a broad range of EU and UK competition law, antitrust and foreign investment advice for clients across M&A transactions, equity investments, consortium transactions, and secondaries. She has experience advising on behavioral investigations, complex supply and distribution arrangements and foreign investment controls including, notably, the UK's newly adopted National Security and Investments Act.

With more than a decade's experience in UK and European competition law, including expertise in a broad spectrum of global merger control and antitrust issues, Mary regularly counsels clients in their engagement with the Competition Market Authority, the European Commission, and other prominent international enforcement agencies and regulatory authorities.

"I am thrilled to join the Proskauer team," said Mary. "Asset managers and companies are facing increasingly complex regulatory and macro-economic challenges and I look forward to working with my new colleagues to successfully deliver our clients' strategic objectives."

Mary joins from Freshfield Bruckhaus Deringer. She received her B.A. from Magdalen College, Oxford, with Honors, and her Master's degree from King's College London. She completed her Legal Practice Course and Postgraduate Diploma in Law from BPP University Law School.

"Mary is widely respected as a leading authority on antitrust and competition in M&A. Her wealth of knowledge, particularly in consumer products, health care, TMT and financial services, will be invaluable to clients and reinforces our offering as a full-service, global M&A platform," said <u>Lauren Boglivi</u>, co-chair of Proskauer's Corporate Department and partner in the Firm's Mergers and Acquisitions practice.

This is the sixth partner that Proskauer has welcomed partners globally in 2023. John Mahon (Investment Management, Washington DC) and Stephen Hibbard (Litigation, Los Angeles) joined the Firm in April and Matthew Kerfoot (Finance, New York), Gregory Knopp (Labor & Employment, Los Angeles) practice and Robert Pommer (Litigation, Washington, D.C.) joined in February. Proskauer's London office has also seen exceptional growth of late. The Firm's London office has welcomed seven partners since 2021. In 2022, the Firm welcomed Liam Arthur (M&A), Frazer Money (Tax), Adrian Cohen (Restructuring) and Barry Newman (Finance). In 2021, Rebecca Villarreal (M&A), Peter Olds (Private Funds) and Steven Baker (Litigation) joined the Firm.

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Proskauer's London office serves asset managers throughout the life cycle of their business.

The firm have built a tightly integrated, high-performing team, working with the most active players in the market. We are a go-to firm for asset managers, including private equity firms, private and public funds, SWFs, investment banks and large privately held and publicly traded operating companies.

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