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Proskauer Expands to Charlotte

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Adds Four Partner Leveraged Finance Team – Ron Lovelace, Patrick Yingling, Jared Zajac and Joey Polonsky

NEW YORK, September 15, 2025 – Proskauer announced today the addition of a four partner Leveraged Finance team to its market-leading Global Finance practice. The addition of the new team and the opening of a Charlotte office reflect the Firm's continued commitment to advising clients across the full spectrum of credit solutions. The launch is led by partners Ron Lovelace, Patrick Yingling, Jared Zajac and Joey Polonsky.

Charlotte, the nation's second largest banking center, is home to many leading financial institutions and alternative credit providers. Expanding to the region enhances Proskauer's strategy to grow its Global Finance and related practices, enabling the Firm to better serve clients in one of the fastest-moving markets in the U.S.

"Charlotte is a critical market for our clients and for the future of Global Finance," said Tim Mungovan, Chairman of Proskauer. "Ron, Patrick, Jared and Joey have extensive experience in finance and they are widely recognized as market leaders. Their arrival will further strengthen the Firm's ability to deliver solutions across the full life cycle of finance – from origination to restructuring."

"We are thrilled to welcome this outstanding team to Proskauer," said Justin Breen, co-head of the Global Finance practice. "Their experience representing both banks and direct lenders enhances our ability to advise clients at the intersection of private credit and traditional bank finance. Charlotte is a natural strategic choice for us as the city continues to serve as a hub for the financial services industry and offers a unique concentration of some of the greatest finance talent that aligns with our platform."

"It's an honor for our team to join Proskauer's best-in-class Global Finance platform," said Ron. "We are excited to expand the reach to Charlotte and pave the way for both the city's and the Firm's continued growth in this sector."

In the past 12 months, Proskauer has made a series of strategic hires, growing its Global Finance practice in both the U.S. and London. This includes partners Larry Berkovich, Jon Burke and Blake Gilson in the U.S. Over the past year, the Firm has added more than a dozen Global Finance partners worldwide to its market-leading practice, deepening its capabilities across leveraged finance, private credit, structured credit and fund finance.

Proskauer's Charlotte team includes:

Ron Lovelace advises banks, arrangers and institutions on leveraged finance, restructuring and asset-based financings. He is recognized by Chambers USA and Lawdragon as a leading dealmaker. Ron earned his J.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Patrick Yingling represents financial institutions, lenders and borrowers in syndicated credit facilities, acquisition financings and recapitalizations. He is recognized in Best Lawyers in America for Banking and Finance Law. Patrick earned his J.D. from the University of South Carolina.

Jared Zajac advises financial institutions, funds and borrowers on leveraged lending, acquisition financings and restructurings. He is recognized by *Lawdragon* as one of the 500 Leading Dealmakers in America and Leading Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyers. Jared earned his J.D. from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Joey Polonsky advises banks, direct lenders and financial institutions on leveraged finance, refinancings and restructurings. He is recognized by *Lawdragon* as a Leading Bankruptcy & Restructuring Lawyer. Joey earned his J.D. with honors from the University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill.

Proskauer has more than 800 lawyers worldwide in major financial and business centers. Charlotte is its twelfth office. Proskauer's Global Finance practice includes more than 150 lawyers across the U.S., London and Paris.

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The world’s leading organizations and global players choose Proskauer to represent them when they need it the most. With 800+ lawyers in key financial centers around the world, we are highly regarded for our expertise combined with our pragmatic and commercial approach. Proskauer is the place to turn when a matter is complex, innovative and game-changing. We work seamlessly across practices, industries and jurisdictions with asset managers, private equity and venture capital firms, Fortune 500 and FTSE companies, major sports leagues, entertainment industry legends and other industry-redefining companies.

Related Professionals

- **Ron Lovelace**
  Partner
- **Patrick Yingling**
  Partner
- **Jared Zajac**
  Partner
- **Joey Polonsky**
  Partner
- **Justin Breen**
  Partner
- **Timothy W. Mungovan**
  Chairman of the Firm
- **Lawrence V. Berkovich**
  Partner
- **Jon Burke**
  Partner
- **Blake Gilson**
  Partner