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Proskauer Welcomes Emily O’Brien as Private Funds Partner in Boston

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BOSTON, July 22, 2026 – Proskauer announced today that Emily O'Brien has rejoined the Firm as a partner in its Private Funds Group in Boston further strengthening the Firm’s market leading capabilities in advising emerging and established managers across the private funds market.

Emily advises venture capital and private equity fund sponsors on the formation, organization and operation of investment funds. Her practice focuses on advising clients throughout the fundraising lifecycle, including the preparation of offering documents, negotiations with investors and the drafting of partnership, limited liability company and other governance agreements. Following fund formation, she counsels managers on the legal and operational matters that arise over the life of their funds. She also regularly counsels first-time fund managers and has experience representing institutional investors in private equity investments.

"Emily is an immensely talented lawyer and a strong addition to our Private Funds Group," said Howard Beber, co-chair of Proskauer’s Corporate Department and co-head of the Firm’s Private Funds Group. "She brings deep industry expertise across private funds, including venture capital, private equity, funds of funds and secondary funds, and her counsel will be invaluable to our clients. We're thrilled to welcome her back to Proskauer and into the partnership."

"I'm excited to return to Proskauer and rejoin a team I know well," said Emily O'Brien. "The Firm’s private funds platform is among the strongest in the market, combining broad capabilities, exceptional talent, and a global reach. I look forward to working with new and former colleagues, and leveraging the strength of the platform to help clients build and grow their businesses."

Emily is one of several Private Funds lawyers to join Proskauer this year, including partners Malcolm Nicholls, Zee Ahmedani, and Josh Frankel. Since the start of 2024, the Private Funds team has added 17 lateral partners across the U.S., London, and Paris.

About Proskauer

Proskauer is an elite global law firm with more than 900 lawyers in key financial centers in the United States, Europe, South America, and Asia. Our clients include many of the world’s leading businesses, including asset managers, banks, listed corporations, and private companies. We have deep expertise in several of the fastest-growing and dynamic segments of the market, including sports, technology, life sciences, and health care. We represent hundreds of asset managers across a wide spectrum of sectors and strategies, including private equity, private credit, hedge, real assets, secondaries, and capital solutions.

Proskauer offers a full suite of services for the investment management industry, with a market-leading global team dedicated solely to advising investment funds, including private equity, venture, credit, hedge, real assets and secondaries funds as well as other asset managers, financial institutions and institutional investors. The cross-border team of over 250 lawyers is based in the U.S., UK, Paris, Latin America, and Hong Kong and includes specialists in fund formation, secondaries transactions and liquidity solutions, tax, ERISA, regulation, financial services, capital markets, M&A, employment, insurance, fund finance, litigation and risk management who understand the unique technical and commercial issues relevant to investment managers.

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