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The Firm: Proskauer Rose has invested in recent years in boosting its capital markets practice, and has good relationships with a host of issuers and several notable investment banks, including Bank of America Merrill Lynch, Credit Suisse and Jefferies & Company. The practice is broad, covering many types of public and private debt and equity offerings, although PIPE and high-yield transactions are highlighted by interviewees as particular areas of strength.

Sources Say: *"The firm is great at finding solutions to issues that are not of the plain vanilla variety."*

Key Individuals: Practice co-head Julie Allen is an experienced securities lawyer based in New York. Allen recently represented Icahn Enterprises on a Rule 144A offering of \$2 billion of senior notes. Fellow co-head Frank Lopez is lauded for being *"innovative in putting structures together and aggressive in getting deals done."* He acted as counsel to sole underwriter Citi on tax-exempt bonds issued by the New York City Industrial Development Agency for the completion of the new Mets stadium. Stuart Bressman has been busy representing long-term client Lazard, including advising it as sole placement agent on the offering of common stock by ARIAD Pharmaceuticals. Arnold Jacobs is praised for his *"broad legal skills and sound understanding of business."* Michael Woronoff is a headline name in the California market. He recently represented Stream Global Services in a \$200 million Rule 144A senior secured notes offering.

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