

Proskauer Expands Private Equity Practice with New Senior Counsel in Boston

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March 25, 2013 (Boston) – Global law firm Proskauer has broadened its corporate capabilities with the addition of Senior Counsel <u>Michael J. Mano</u> in Boston. Mr. Mano joins the firm from Ropes & Gray LLP.

"Boston is a key part of our national and global M&A practice," said <u>Michael Woronoff</u>, Partner and co-head of <u>Proskauer's Mergers & Acquisitions Group</u>. "Mike's addition represents the continued build-out of our Corporate Department in the strategic and high-growth areas of private equity and M&A."

Mr. Mano has nearly 10 years of experience representing clients in mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, leveraged buyouts and other investment transactions. He advises private equity fund clients in bids for and acquisitions of public and private company targets, sales of portfolio companies and other general fund matters.

Additionally, he has experience representing private equity and venture capital fund clients in minority equity and convertible debt investments, as well as in recapitalizations and restructurings of portfolio companies.

"Mike brings an extra dimension to our private equity practice as we build greater capacity in M&A and equity financing transactions in Boston," said Ori Solomon, who leads Proskauer's private equity and mergers and acquisitions practice in Boston. "His knowledge and experience in advising private equity funds in a wide variety of transactional, governance and regulatory matters will be a valuable resource to the clients of our market-leading practices in investment funds and multi-tranche finance."

<u>Proskauer's Boston office</u>, which opened in 2004, is home to one of the world's top private investment funds practices, leading corporate finance and transactional groups and international labor and employment, patent law, intellectual property and litigation practices.

Proskauer's Corporate Department comprises more than 250 lawyers worldwide who counsel clients in a full range of sophisticated financial transactions in such areas as mergers and acquisitions, capital markets, private equity, finance and bankruptcy and restructuring. Its Private Equity Group ranks among the most active in the industry, negotiating and closing in excess of 100 buyouts, portfolio company divestitures, investments and other significant private equity transactions in each of the past three years. The firm is consistently recognized as a leader in private equity-sponsored buyouts by *Dow Jones Private Equity Analyst* and earns high rankings from *Chambers* and *Legal* 500.