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Perkins Coie Expands M&A and Private Equity Practices With Addition of Three Partner Group in Texas

DALLAS AND AUSTIN (February 25, 2025)—Perkins Coie is pleased to announce that Kyle Fox, Richard Dusenbury, and John-Paul (JP) Haskins have joined the firm's Mergers & Acquisitions (M&A) and Private Equity (PE) practices as partners in Texas. Richard and JP join the firm's Dallas office, and Kyle joins the Austin office.

The group, which comes to Perkins Coie from Greenberg Traurig, advises a range of clients and investors—including private equity firms, venture-backed companies, and private businesses—in mergers, acquisitions, financings, and other strategic transactions. Their addition strengthens the firm's growing national and international corporate practice, expanding its ability to support high-growth companies, investors, and private equity funds in complex, cross-border transactions.

"We're thrilled that such a high-caliber team of transactional lawyers have joined us in Texas to accelerate our extensive M&A capabilities serving companies and investors across Texas, the United States, and increasingly Europe," said <u>Brian Eiting</u>, firmwide co-chair of Perkins Coie's <u>Corporate practice</u>. "The group's addition demonstrates Perkins Coie's commitment to an increasingly dynamic and active Texas market, as well as our broader private equity platform, and we know that Kyle, Richard, and JP will hit the ground running for our clients."

The group has deep experience working across business sectors, from startups to international business ventures, in industries such as software and technology, healthcare, manufacturing, and engineering, among others.

"We're eager to expand our solutions and work for private equity funds, their portfolio companies and other private companies, supported by the firm's top-tier strengths in complementary areas such as IP, litigation, employment, and data privacy," said Kyle. "Joining Perkins Coie significantly enhances our ability to deliver this service for clients."

In addition to M&A and private equity work, the new group will also advise clients, including search funds, on corporate governance and securities matters.

"The Texas economy continues to be one of the country's most advantageous for business and joining Perkins Coie positions us to help our clients take full benefit of a wide range of investment opportunities," said Richard.

"Perkins Coie represents the ideal strategic fit for the clients we represent and the entrepreneurial mindset that our clients appreciate and expect us to deliver for each transaction," said JP.

About the Team

• Partner <u>Kyle Fox</u> focuses his practice on strategic transactions and guides clients through financing transactions, restructurings, joint ventures, M&A, and technology transfer and licensing agreements. He

advises privately held companies and PE and venture-backed companies. Kyle earned his B.A. from the University of Wisconsin and his J.D. from the University of Texas School of Law.

- Partner <u>Richard Dusenbury</u> focuses on M&A transactions. He represents clients on the buy- and sell-side and has experience in a range of industries including technology, manufacturing, healthcare, and apparel. Richard earned his BBA from Texas A&M University and his J.D. from University of Oklahoma College of Law.
- Partner <u>JP</u> focuses his practice on M&A transactions, private equity matters and search funds. He advises clients on corporate governance, financing, dispositions, and restructurings. John-Paul earned his B.A. from the University of Texas and his J.D. from Baylor University School of Law.

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