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**MARK FINE JOINS WILLKIE'S GLOBAL FINANCE PRACTICE
IN LONDON OFFICE**

New York (May 3, 2016) – Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP announced today that Mark Fine has joined the firm as a partner in its London office.

Mr. Fine comes to Willkie from Bain Capital Credit in London, where he was European General Counsel. Prior to this role, Mr. Fine was a partner in the debt finance team of Kirkland & Ellis in its London office. Mr. Fine has significant experience and skill in handling complex debt financing transactions for borrowers and lenders including direct lending, leveraged buyouts, domestic and cross-border syndicated lending, distressed debt trading, portfolio acquisitions and restructurings.

“Mark’s vast experience across an array of pan-European and international debt finance transactions is a strong strategic complement to our finance, private equity and asset management practices,” said firm Chairman Thomas M. Cerabino. “The addition of Mark in London reflects the firm’s ongoing commitment to the European private lending sector and the continuing growth of its representation of key private equity and direct lending firms.”

“I am delighted to be joining Willkie’s highly regarded international finance platform,” said Mr. Fine. “The group’s breadth of experience and market knowledge have earned the team a strong industry-wide reputation, and I look forward to working with Willkie’s base of highly active direct lending and sponsor clients in London, New York and across continental Europe.”

Leveraging its deep familiarity across the financing markets, Willkie's Finance Practice advises borrowers, lenders and other traditional and non-traditional capital providers in a wide variety of transactions. The team combines a genuine understanding of the markets in which clients operate with creative, business-focused legal advice.

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