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MR. RUCKH BRINGS FOUR DECADES OF BROAD ADVISORY EXPERIENCE ACROSS A THOUSAND TRANSACTIONS FOR PRIVATE EQUITY FIRMS, THEIR PORTFOLIO COMPANIES AND FORTUNE 50 CLIENTS.

NEW YORK, June 21, 2023 -- Leading global professional services firm Alvarez & Marsal (A&M) announced the appointment of Bob Ruckh as a Managing Director in its Global Transaction Advisory Group (TAG). Mr. Ruckh's hire demonstrates Global TAG's commitment to driving value across the deal lifecycle by deepening its strategic advisory talent and client-focused teams.

Mr. Ruckh brings four decades of global transaction expertise including start-up and growth capital investments, cross-border public and private company mergers and acquisitions (M&A), initial public offerings (IPO), divestitures, carve-outs, and working capital mechanisms. He has led on-the-ground teams in almost two dozen countries, including two secondments to northern and eastern Europe. The range and complexity of his assignments cross multiple sectors, including industrial and consumer products and services, retail, distribution businesses, technology, healthcare, energy and infrastructure, as well as multinationals.

Prior to joining A&M, Mr. Ruckh served as a Brightstar Capital Partners Managing Director working with investment and fund professionals and outside advisers to execute buy and sell-side transactions, onboard new portfolio companies, and deliver value creation strategies. Additionally, he was a board member and observer for several portfolio companies, as well as a Chair of one of the portfolio Audit Committees.

Previously, Mr. Ruckh had served as a Senior Partner in EY's Strategy and Transactions practice. In that role he focused on providing financial due diligence services and delivering the full suite of advisory services to global private equity firms (PE), their portfolio companies, mega PE consortiums, and Fortune 50 companies. Earlier in his career, Mr. Ruckh was a founding member of Arthur Andersen's transaction advisory services practice.

Paul Aversano, Global Practice Leader of A&M's Global Transaction Advisory Group, underlined his practice's global growth strategy, "As one of the world's most experienced transaction executives, Bob's joining strengthens our strategic talent bench and aligns with our relationship-driven teams' approach to client service. His extensive expertise will benefit our clients as well as our people. Bob's decades of PE experience, from literally both sides of the table, bolsters our growing network of boots-on-the-ground professionals and dovetails with our results-oriented mindset. A&M's ability to attract a professional of Bob's caliber further demonstrates the power of our Global Transaction Advisory Group platform."

Anthony Caporrino, Managing Director and United States TAG Practice leader, said, "Bob's in-depth transaction knowledge will help clients navigate risks while identifying, executing and capitalizing on opportunities. He is a transaction veteran, with the expertise

to help our clients solve complex problems while advancing the firm's bench strength to serve domestic and international PE and corporates."

Mr. Ruckh said, "A&M's integrated platform, operational heritage, and comprehensive advisory service offering compliments my 360-degree perspective. Against the backdrop of sweeping economic headwinds and compressed business cycles, clients seeking strategic opportunities need steady hands and real-world solutions to address their changing needs. Global TAG is perfectly positioned to deliver exactly that."

Mr. Ruckh earned a Bachelor of Science degree from Fordham University in accounting. He is a Certified Public Accountant (CPA) in NY and a member of the American Institute of CPAs and the New York State Society of CPAs. He serves on the board of the Ackerman Institute for the Family and is Treasurer and a member of its Executive Committee.

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With over 7,500 people providing services across six continents, we deliver tangible results for corporates, boards, private equity firms, law firms and government agencies facing complex challenges. Our senior leaders, and their teams, leverage A&M's restructuring heritage to help companies act decisively, catapult growth and accelerate results. We are experienced operators, world-class consultants, former regulators and industry authorities with a shared commitment to telling clients what is really needed for turning change into a strategic business asset, managing risk and unlocking value at every stage of growth.

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