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Prominent Business Transactions Partner Joins Spencer Fane Team in New York

Spencer Fane LLP is pleased to welcome Howard Mulligan to the firm as a partner in the Corporate and Business Transactions Practice Group. Howard will join the firm's newest location as its combination with New York City-based Golenbock Eiseman Assor Bell & Peskoe, a full-service, 50-attorney law firm, became effective last week.

With an extensive background in capital market transactions, Howard regularly assists clients with public offerings, private placements, reverse mergers, SPAC transactions, and securitizations across various asset classes. His experience extends to acquisitions and dispositions in the cannabis and hemp industries, equipment lease portfolios, structured products, and commercial real estate transactions, including B-notes and mezzanine loans.

Howard represents several hedge, venture capital, and private equity funds regarding formation and transaction structuring, as well as securities law and regulatory matters. He has unique experience representing private equity funds in mergers and acquisitions and venture capital funds in purchases of preferred stock, convertible notes, and seed round securities.

As the financial services market evolves, Howard increasingly focuses on advising decentralized finance lenders and cryptocurrency- and blockchain-related companies, investors, and funds.

"We are thrilled to not only officially join Spencer Fane, but to already begin welcoming talented colleagues directly following a combination we believe will exponentially enhance outcomes for all stakeholders," said Jeffrey S. Berger, office managing partner for Spencer Fane in New York. "Howard joins our team with deep experience across the business transactions space in addition to impressive traction

in specialized and evolving markets, including cryptocurrency and blockchain, all of which will build upon our vast client resource bank."

Outside of private practice, Howard provides insights on structured finance and cryptocurrency matters as a Fox Business Network contributor, also making regular appearances on CNBC, Schwab Network, and Bloomberg News and frequently speaking at large industry forums.

Howard completed his bachelor's degree *summa cum laude* from the University of Scranton before earning his Juris Doctor *cum laude* from Notre Dame Law School.