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SCHULTE ROTH & ZABEL LLP ANNOUNCES ADDITION OF INVESTMENT MANAGEMENT ATTORNEY JASON L. BEHRENS

New York, December 7, 2015 — **Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP** ("SRZ") is pleased to announce that **Jason L. Behrens** has joined the firm as special counsel in the New York office. He centers his practice on the structuring, formation and negotiation of private equity and hedge funds. Mr. Behrens previously served as an associate at the firm and re-joins after having served as general counsel at ACE Portal, Inc.

Mr. Behrens has represented a wide variety of fund sponsors, asset managers and institutional investors in all stages of private equity funds, real estate funds, secondaries funds, funds of funds and other alternative asset classes, both domestically and internationally. He deals regularly with issues relating to the Securities Act, the Investment Company Act, the Investment Advisers Act, ERISA and tax. He also has significant private equity, venture capital and mergers and acquisitions transactional experience.

"We are pleased to welcome Jason back to the firm. He is a highly skilled lawyer and his arrival further strengthens our depth of practice," commented **Joseph A. Smith**, a partner in SRZ's Investment Management Group, who is among the most recognized private funds lawyers in the industry.

"Jason is an excellent addition to the firm and he joins a stellar group of lawyers who provide counsel to leading private equity firms," commented **Alan S. Waldenberg**, chair of SRZ's Executive Committee. The firm's private equity lawyers are involved in every aspect of the private equity investment process. SRZ advises on the formation of leveraged buyout, venture capital, real estate, secondaries and mezzanine funds, and represents these funds and other private equity investors in acquisitions, financings and realization events, including sales or public offerings.

The firm also provides extensive legal advice in connection with private equity fund governance and compliance issues, as well as legal advice concerning the management of private equity firms. The 2015 Preqin *Global Private Equity & Venture Capital Report* named SRZ among the "Leading Law Firms in Fund Formation."

"I am delighted to return to SRZ, where I work alongside the highly regarded lawyers of the firm's preeminent investment management practice," said Mr. Behrens, who holds a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center and a B.S. from Cornell University.

About Schulte Roth & Zabel

Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP (www.srz.com) is a full-service law firm with offices in New York, Washington, D.C. and London. As one of the leading law firms serving the financial services industry, the firm regularly advises clients on corporate and transactional matters, as well as providing counsel on regulatory, compliance, enforcement and investigative issues. The firm's practices include: bank regulatory; bankruptcy & creditors' rights litigation; business reorganization; complex commercial litigation; cybersecurity; distressed debt & claims trading; distressed investing; education law; employment & employee benefits; energy; environmental; finance; financial institutions; individual client services; insurance; intellectual property, sourcing & technology; investment management; litigation; mergers & acquisitions; PIPEs; private equity; real estate; real estate capital markets & REITs; real estate litigation; regulated funds; regulatory & compliance; securities & capital markets; securities enforcement; securities litigation; securitization; shareholder activism; structured finance & derivatives; tax; and white collar defense & government investigations.

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