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Akerman Expands Corporate Practice Group with Finance Partner Will Walker in Winston-Salem

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Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman LLP is pleased to announce that it has expanded its Corporate Practice Group with finance partner Steven Williams Walker (“Will”) in Winston-Salem. Walker has experience with all types of cross-border and domestic financing transactions. He follows the recent addition of finance partners Bryan Reese and Cristina Gonzalez in New York.

“Expanding our debt finance capabilities is of strategic importance to our clients,” said Corporate Practice Co-Chair Jonathan Awner. “Will’s experience in complex financing transactions will be invaluable to our team as the demand for our services continues to grow.”

Walker’s clients include financial institutions, corporate borrowers and private equity groups. On both the borrower and lender side, he represents key players in food & agriculture, entertainment, manufacturing, technology and other global industries.

Walker regularly represents clients in leveraged acquisition financings and other secured financings (both cash flow and asset-based), unsecured credit facilities, unitranche facilities, first lien/second lien facilities, bridge and mezzanine facilities, as well as workouts and restructurings.

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