

Press Release

Akerman Partner Christina Russo Joins Chief, Exclusive Network of Women Leaders

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Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman LLP today announced corporate partner [Christina Russo](#) in Miami has been accepted to join a select community of the most powerful woman executives in the United States through [Chief](#).

Chief is a private network built to help more women attain positions of power and to keep them there. It is the only organization specifically designed for the most powerful women executives to strengthen their leadership, magnify their influence, and pave the way to bring others with them.

As co-chair of Akerman's [Capital Markets Practice](#), Russo leads a national team of lawyers who represent issuers, underwriters, placement agents, emerging growth companies, and special purpose acquisition companies (SPACs), in connection with complex capital markets transactions. Russo routinely advises clients on corporate and securities matters, and on mergers and acquisitions. Russo also counsels boards and senior management on corporate governance matters, including Environmental, Social, and Governance (ESG) matters.

Russo is an outstanding role model and has demonstrated her commitment to the firm's initiatives in her role on the Women's Initiative

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Network, Akerman Racial Justice Initiative Council and the Equality and Inclusion Committee. She is also a member of the Cuban-American Bar Association and the Hispanic Bar Association.

Since launching in New York in 2019, Chief's membership has grown to more than 10,000 senior women leaders in seven cities, with a waitlist of 40,000 executives from across the country. More than 60 of the Fortune 100 companies have Chief members in their ranks, with members collectively managing \$220 billion of the U.S. economy. C-Suite, senior executives, and accomplished VPs are evaluated for membership based on seniority, professional experience, background, and impact, as well as a demonstrated history of supporting others along the way.

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