

Hogan Lovells Adds Leading Capital Markets Partner in New York

Global law firm Hogan Lovells is pleased to announce that Richard Aftanas has joined the firm as a partner in the Corporate practice in New York and as a member of the Firm's global Capital Markets leadership team with a focus on expanding the New York and US capital markets practice. Aftanas joins from Kirkland & Ellis LLP, where he was a partner in the Capital Markets group for six years.

Aftanas has worked on numerous initial public offerings and other public and private equity securities offerings, as well as high-yield and investment-grade debt offerings for companies in a wide range of industries. He also advises U.S. and international clients with respect to corporate and securities law matters, as well as spin-offs, debt tender offers, exchange offers and other refinancing transactions. In addition, Aftanas regularly advises publicly-traded corporations and their executive officers and directors on corporate governance, SEC compliance and disclosure matters. Before joining Kirkland, Aftanas was a partner at Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP.

Over the past year, the firm has made several high-profile additions to the New York office, including former Bristol Myers Squibb vice president Jonathan Wasserman, Latin America finance partner Ben Garcia, leading sports transactions lawyer Michael Kuh, and Peter Marta, former global head of the legal cybersecurity team at JPMorgan Chase.

Aftanas earned his B.A. from the University of Manitoba and his LL.B. from McGill University Faculty of Law. He also is a member of McGill University Leaders' Advisory Board and was

the Secretary of the Securities Regulation Committee for the Association of the Bar of the City of New York from 2003–2006.