Haynes Boone Names Justin Riess and Tim Johnston Co-Chairs of Leveraged Finance

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Haynes Boone has announced that Partners Justin Riess and Tim Johnston have been named co-chairs of the firm's Leveraged Finance Practice Group. These moves reflect the continued growth and strategic importance of the firm's leveraged finance capabilities. The Leveraged Finance Practice Group is part of the firm's overall finance department, featuring over 170 attorneys across several practice areas within finance.

Riess previously served as managing partner of the firm's Charlotte office, where he helped oversee its expansion in one of the country's leading financial centers. Johnston is based in the firm's Dallas office headquarters and leads the asset-based lending team.

"Justin and Tim are exceptional leaders who have played key roles in the growth of our finance platform," New York Office Managing Partner Craig Unterberg said. "Justin has been instrumental in building our presence in Charlotte, and together with Tim, he will help lead the continued expansion of our leveraged finance practice in the markets and industries where we see the greatest opportunities."

In their new roles, Riess and Johnston will guide the strategic direction of the firm's Leveraged Finance Practice Group, focusing on expanding the practice in key markets and continuing to grow the firm's capabilities across syndicated finance, middle-market finance, asset-based lending and private credit.

"Haynes Boone has built a strong and well-established leveraged finance team, and I'm excited to work with Tim to continue building on that foundation," Riess said. "We see meaningful opportunities to further grow the practice in key markets while continuing to deliver the practical, business-focused advice our clients expect."

"Our leveraged finance team is deeply experienced across a range of corporate financing transactions, and we are focused on continuing to grow strategically in the areas where our clients need us most," Johnston said. "I'm looking forward to partnering with Justin to further strengthen the practice and expand our presence in key markets."

Haynes Boone's Leveraged Finance Practice Group focuses on corporate lending, including acquisition financings, recapitalizations and other lending transactions that support business growth.

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