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Law Diploma, University of Edinburgh,
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Steven Hannah is a highly experienced private equity and financial sponsor transactions lawyer.

Mr. Hannah's practice principally focuses on advising financial sponsors on leveraged buyouts, disposals and consortium/minority equity investments in various geographies, sectors and transaction values. His work also involves advising portfolio companies of financial sponsors on bolt-on transactions, restructurings, recapitalisations, management incentive schemes, senior executive hires and dismissals, and other strategic and general corporate matters. Mr. Hannah was named one of *Law.com International's* 2021 Private Equity Rising Stars, which recognised Europe's top 25 up-and-coming lawyers.

Mr. Hannah's recent representations include advising:

- Castik Capital and ABRY Partners, LLC in their joint acquisition of Reward Gateway and Xexec;
- funds advised by Castik Capital in:
 - the acquisition of Element Logic;
 - the acquisition of Customs Support Group B.V. (CSG) from Mentha Capital B.V. and Oscar Driessen, the founder of CSG;
 - CPA Global's \$6.8 billion all-stock combination with Clarivate plc;
 - the sale of approximately 25% of portfolio company Waterlogic Holdings Limited to British Columbia Investment Management Corporation;
 - their acquisition of two IP management services and software companies, ipan Group and Delegate, and their subsequent merger with CPA Global, a portfolio company of Leonard Green Partners and Partners Group; and
 - the acquisition of AddSecure from Arby Partners;
- H.I.G. Capital in its acquisition of the plumbing and heating division of Travis Perkins plc;
- Montagu Private Equity LLP and the other shareholders of Equatex in their €354 million disposal to Computershare;
- funds managed by I Squared Capital Advisors, LLC, along with TDR Capital LLP, in the US\$3.1 billion acquisition of Aggreko plc;
- Hg in:
 - connection with its acquisition of Riskalyze, Inc.;
 - its acquisition of Trackunit A/S from Goldman Sachs Asset Management and Gro Capital A/S;
 - its sale of Sovos Compliance to a consortium headed by Hg's Saturn 2 fund and TA Associates;
 - the acquisition by Hg's Saturn 2 fund of a stake in Visma, valuing the business at an enterprise value of \$12.2 billion, which is the world's largest-ever software buyout;
 - its investments in Litera Microsystems, Workshare and Allocate;
 - its acquisition of CaseWare International; and
 - its acquisition of Prophix;
- Prophix, a portfolio company of Hg, in its acquisition of Sigma Conso from Fortino Capital;
- Litera, a portfolio company of Hg, in its acquisition of DocsCorp;

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- Transaction Services Group (TSG) in Calera Capital's sale of a majority stake in TSG to Advent International Corporation;
 - Sovos Compliance, LLC, a portfolio company of Hg, in its acquisitions of Foriba AS, TrustWeaver AB, Paperless and Acepta.com;
 - Open International, a Montagu portfolio company, in its acquisition of Transactor Global Solutions;
 - CogitalGroup, an Hg portfolio company (now Azets), in its acquisition of Wilkins Kennedy; and
 - AddSecure, a Castik Capital portfolio company, in its acquisition of Connexas Group.