

Winston & Strawn Adds Experience to its Corporate and Private Equity Practice in Chicago with Arrival of Bradley S. Mandel

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CHICAGO — Winston & Strawn LLP announced today that experienced private investment fund formation attorney, Bradley S. Mandel, has joined the firm's Chicago office as of counsel. In addition to his work advising both U.S. and non-U.S. private equity and other alternative investment funds and managers in formation, maintenance and regulatory matters, Mandel has extensive experience representing institutional investors with respect to their investments in private equity and hedge funds, as well as working with both buyers and sellers of private equity fund interests in secondary transactions. Mandel has also represented private equity fund sponsors on acquisitions and divestitures of their portfolio companies. He joins Winston from Proskauer Rose.

"We're delighted that Brad has chosen to bring his substantial experience to Winston and to help us continue to grow our private equity and hedge fund capabilities," said Andrew McDonough, co-chair of the firm's private equity practice. Mandel represents the latest in a number of recent high-profile corporate, finance, and private equity lateral hires, including Robert Rawn in New York, David L. Batty and Joshua Smith in Charlotte, N.C., and Andrei Yakovlev in Moscow and London.

"The depth of Brad's experience in advising top tier firms investing in a wide range of transactions and industries will be highly valued by global clients across all of our offices," added Steven J. Gavin, chairman of the firm's corporate department.

"I am looking forward to joining Winston's private investment fund team and helping it to even more fully leverage its substantial know-how for clients," said Mandel.

Mandel received a J.D., from the Fordham University School of Law, where he was associate editor of the *Fordham Environmental Law Journal*, and graduated with an undergraduate degree from Cornell University.

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