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Winston & Strawn Expands Chicago Transactions Team with Addition of Partner Justin Gonzales

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Chicago – December 2, 2025 – Winston & Strawn LLP announced today that Justin Gonzales has joined the firm’s Chicago office as a partner in the Transactions Department and a member of the Mergers & Acquisitions and Private Equity practice.

Justin brings extensive experience advising public and private companies and private equity clients on complex domestic and cross-border corporate matters. He regularly counsels clients on acquisitions, dispositions, investments, joint ventures, and corporate governance issues.

“Winston’s position as a leading advisor on corporate transactions makes it the ideal place for growing my practice,” said Justin. “I’m excited to collaborate with the expanding team in Chicago and across our international offices to help our clients navigate their most complex matters.”

Justin has represented clients in major transactions across industries, including software and technology, renewable energy, manufacturing, digital media and entertainment, gaming, and information services. His experience aligns directly with Winston’s core service offerings, including public and private company acquisitions, stock and asset sales, carve-outs, spin-offs, joint ventures, leveraged and managed buyouts, and cross-border transactions.

“Justin is a skilled advisor with deep experience representing clients throughout the lifecycle of a transaction,” said Timothy Kincaid and Bradley Vaiana, co-chairs of the firm’s Transactions Department. “His extensive work on large-scale and middle-market transactions strengthens our capabilities in Chicago and across the firm.”

“Justin’s addition reflects our commitment to deepening our Chicago roots by attracting the most talented lawyers in the market,” added Chicago Office Managing Partner William O’Neil. “We’re thrilled to welcome him to our new Chicago office space.”

Justin’s arrival follows the opening of Winston’s new Chicago office at 300 North LaSalle, a landmark riverfront tower. Featuring innovative technology and thoughtful design, the new space enhances collaboration and elevates client service in this key market, which has been integral to the firm since its founding in 1853.

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