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Herman Raspé is an internationally renowned authority in the field of cross-border debt and equity transactions, particularly American Depositary Receipts matters. Mr. Raspé, Chair of the Firm's Corporate department, has concentrated his practice on cross-border capital markets and M&A transactions. Mr. Raspé is a frequent lecturer on the subject of American Depositary Receipts and the regulatory implications on foreign companies who access the U.S. capital markets and has authored a number of articles and advisory memoranda on the same subject. Mr. Raspé heads the Firm's cross-border transactions team consisting of lawyers focusing on cross-border capital markets and M&A transactions.

Mr. Raspé represents U.S. financial institutions and non-U.S. companies in a myriad of cross-border transactions, and including in capital markets transactions supporting cross-border mergers, acquisitions, dispositions, spin-offs and capital restructurings. Mr. Raspé is frequently called upon to advise non-U.S. companies on the subject of U.S. securities law implications on cross-border restructurings, mergers, acquisitions, spin-offs and dispositions.

Representative Matters

Financial Institution

Representation of financial institution in the development depositary interests representing sovereign debt.

Financial Institution

Representation of financial institution in cross-border debt and equity transactions relating to American depositary receipts.

U.K. Pension Plan

Representation of U.K. pension plan in connection with the acquisition and subsequent disposition in the U.S. of a significant equity interest in a Dutch company listed on a U.S. exchange.

Barbados Company

Representation of Barbados holding company in international senior secured note offerings.

Italian Company

Representation of Italian media company active in connection with a disposition of operating assets and subsequent going-private transaction.

Russian Company

Representation of Russian telecommunications company in connection with the U.S. securities law aspects of a regional restructuring of existing subsidiaries.

Patterson Belknap

Italian Company

Representation of Italian energy company in connection with delisting and deregistration of U.S. securities.

Republic of China Company

Representation of Republic of China (Taiwan) technology company in connection with the securities law aspects of an acquisition.

Italian Company

Representation of court-appointed bankruptcy administrator of an Italian company in connection with the U.S. securities law aspects of a reorganization under Italian bankruptcy law.

Education

- Vanderbilt University School of Law (J.D., 1988)
 - Authorities Editor, *Vanderbilt Journal of Transnational Law*
- Marquette University (B.A., *magna cum laude*, 1985)
 - Phi Beta Kappa

Admissions

- New York
- New Jersey

Languages

- French
- Dutch

Professional Activities

MEMBERSHIPS: Member, New York State Bar Association; New Jersey State Bar Association

HONORS: Recipient, American Jurisprudence Award in Foreign Relations Law

Publications

- Author, "SEC Proposes Exemptive Rules for Cross-Border Offers and Business Combinations," 2 *Securities Regulatory Update* 4 (1999)