

Morgan Lewis Nabs Finance Pro For New York Office

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Law360 (August 3, 2018, 4:38 PM EDT) -- Morgan Lewis & Bockius LLP has added a finance partner with nearly 20 years of experience to its New York office, according to the firm.

Rick Denhup, a former partner at Riemer & Braunstein LLP, joined Morgan Lewis' finance services practice last month, the firm announced in a statement on Monday. His move bolsters the firm's growing global finance practice, which expanded to London earlier this year, the firm said.

"Adding Rick to our elite finance team further strengthens our exceptional services for large and alternative lenders," Jami McKeon, the firm's chairwoman, said in a statement. "His outstanding reputation in the financial services industry is a valuable asset that will serve our clients well."



Rick Denhup

Denhup's practice spans a range of industries, including energy, health care, retail, technology and manufacturing, the firm said, and he often represents financial institutions in a variety of complex transaction matters. In particular, his work focuses on first- and second-lien loans, recapitalizations, cross-border transactions, restructurings and workouts, according to the statement.

Denhup told Law360 he is excited to join a global firm that can "fully support a range of financing from middle market deals to billion-dollar acquisition financings." His focus will remain in finance, but Denhup said he hopes to grow his practice along with the firm's expanding team, noting that 10 other lateral partners have come on board this week alone.

"Being part of this collaborative team provides me with the platform to expand my practice and continue to adapt with ever-changing market trends," Denhup said. "Our global finance team excels through a wealth of experience, resources and skills to advise on complex business transactions."

Prior to joining Morgan Lewis, Denhup worked on multimillion-dollar senior secured credit facilities for "some of the hottest" consumer technology companies, he said. Before that, Denhup worked at Paul Hastings LLP as a partner in the leveraged finance practice group and Bingham McCutchen LLP as an associate.

"Rick's arrival deepens our bench of highly capable senior lawyers in this space," Jonathan Bernstein, the firm's finance practice head, said in a statement. "Having Rick with us in the worldwide financial center

of New York, combined with our growing capabilities outside of the U.S., further confirms our dedication to serving our clients wherever they do business."

Denhup got his law degree from the University of Virginia School of Law, and a bachelor's degree in politics from Fairfield University.

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