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International Legal Finance Association Announces Six New Board Members

WASHINGTON, DC – The International Legal Finance Association (ILFA) is pleased to announce the appointment of six new members to its Board of Directors: Marcel Wegmüller, David Perla, Erik Bomans, Kacey Wolmer, Robert Rothkopf, and William Marra. These leaders bring extensive experience across global legal finance, policy, investment, and dispute resolution.

Marcel Wegmüller is the co-founder and CEO of Nivalion, where he leads overall firm management as well as Client Solutions & Investor Relations. Recognized by Who's Who Legal as a "Thought Leader in Third-Party Funding" and by Lawdragon as an outstanding litigation funder, Wegmüller brings more than a decade of international disputes funding experience. Prior to Nivalion, he held senior management roles at Credit Suisse and led Switzerland's first litigation funding business. He holds a master's degree in law from the University of Zurich, is admitted to the Swiss bar, and has completed executive programs at INSEAD and London Business School.

David Perla, Vice Chair of Burford Capital, is a legal industry innovator and entrepreneur widely recognized for building and scaling technology-driven legal businesses. At Burford Capital, he oversees marketing, public policy, industry affairs, and public relations. Previously, he served as President of Bloomberg BNA Legal Division/Bloomberg Law and co-founded Pangea3, the leading global legal process outsourcing company acquired by Thomson Reuters. His early career includes senior roles at Monster.com and Katten Muchin. Perla was named a Top 50 Innovator of the Last 50 Years by The American Lawyer.

Erik Bomans leads Deminor Recovery Services, a global litigation funding provider operating across Europe, the U.S., and Asia. Since joining Deminor in 1995 and becoming partner in 2000, he has been instrumental in developing the firm's investor protection and litigation finance initiatives, ultimately founding Deminor Recovery Services as a spin-off in 2013. Bomans is a frequent speaker at international conferences and a contributor to leading publications on corporate governance and litigation finance. He holds a law degree from the University of Leuven and advanced degrees in international politics, economics, and financial analysis, including the certified international investment analyst (CIIA) designation.

Kacey Wolmer serves as Chief Operating Officer at Contingency Capital, bringing extensive experience in structured finance, securitization, private funds, and alternative investment operations. Her prior roles include senior positions at FirstKey Mortgage (a Cerberus portfolio company), Fortress Investment Group, and major law firms including Hunton Andrews Kurth LLP, Thacher Proffitt & Wood, and Morgan Lewis. Wolmer holds a J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and a B.A. from Emory University.

Robert Rothkopf is the founder and Managing Partner of Balance Legal Capital, an independent legal funder with operations in London and Sydney. He previously served as a litigator at Herbert Smith Freehills, advising multinational clients and contributing to the launch of the firm's New York office. Rothkopf is also a Director of the Association of Litigation Funders of England and Wales. He holds a law degree from BPP London and a master's degree in biochemistry from Oxford University.

William Marra is a Director at Certum Group, where he specializes in litigation finance and litigation risk insurance. He also serves as a Lecturer in Law at the University of Pennsylvania Carey Law School, teaching litigation finance. His scholarly work on funding has appeared in the *Vanderbilt Law Review*, *Southern California Law Review*, and *Theoretical Inquiries in Law*. Marra previously clerked for Justice Samuel Alito on the U.S. Supreme Court and for Chief Judge William Pryor of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eleventh Circuit. He is a graduate of Harvard College and Harvard Law School, both magna cum laude.

"We are honored to welcome Marcel, David, Erik, Kacey, Robert, and William to ILFA's Board of Directors," said Paul Kong, Executive Director of ILFA. "Each brings exceptional expertise, deep industry insight, and a demonstrated commitment to the responsible growth of legal finance. Their leadership will strengthen ILFA's work to promote transparency, expand access to justice, and support the continued global development of our industry."

About the International Legal Finance Association

The International Legal Finance Association (ILFA) represents the global commercial legal finance community, and its mission is to engage, educate and influence legislative, regulatory and judicial landscapes as the voice of the commercial legal finance industry. It is the only global association of commercial legal finance companies and is an independent, non-profit trade association promoting the highest standards of operation and service for the commercial legal finance sector. ILFA has local chapter representation around the world.

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