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WATSON FARLEY & WILLIAMS (“WFW”) IS DELIGHTED TO ANNOUNCE RICHARD HUGHES, REAL ESTATE FINANCE SPECIALIST, HAS JOINED THE FIRM IN LONDON. RICHARD JOINS US FROM PINSENT MASON’S REAL ESTATE FINANCE TEAM (PRIOR TO WHICH HE WAS A PARTNER AT SIMMONS & SIMMONS).

Richard specialises in advising lenders, borrowers and other key market participants on a wide range of financing transactions including investment grade, leveraged, project and structured finance, restructurings and work outs, distressed debts trading and special situations. His expertise extends across all real estate asset classes (and also includes considerable experience in advising clients on restructuring and insolvency related issues) on both investment and development financings and for buyers and sellers of loan portfolios secured on real estate.

WFW Global Real Estate Head Felicity Jones commented: “I am delighted to welcome Richard to WFW. He brings with him a wealth of real estate finance expertise, including in several of our key practice areas (hotels, student accommodation and care homes), as well as excellent relationships with many leading international banks active across the sector. Richard is a fantastic addition to our London Real Estate team and his breadth of expertise will be invaluable in assisting clients navigate the way out of the Covid aftermath”.

Richard added: “As a market leading international firm with a strong focus on real estate and energy, WFW provides the ideal platform for me to continue to develop my practice. I look forward to working on new opportunities with them”.

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