

TWO CORPORATE ATTORNEYS JOIN HODGSON RUSS'S NEW YORK OFFICE

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Two attorneys have joined Hodgson Russ LLP's New York office. They are Eric A. Pinero and Sebastian Weiss, associates in the Corporate & Securities Practice Group.

Eric A. Pinero concentrates his practice in corporate and securities matters, having handled a diverse range of transactions, including secondary public offerings, private equity and debt security financings, and corporate governance. His focus is on all matters relating to the organization and operation of business entities and the offer, sale, and exchange of securities. This includes the preparation and filing of periodic reports, current reports, registration statements, and other filings required by the 1933 Act and 1934 Act. Prior to joining Hodgson Russ, Mr. Pinero worked as an associate focusing in corporate and securities law for two boutique law firms in New York City.

Sebastian Weiss concentrates his practice in corporate and securities law, including corporate finance, corporate formation, corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, 1933 Act and 1934 Act filings, and commercial transactions. While attending law school, Mr. Weiss worked as a law clerk for the Federal Deposit Insurance Corporation Receivership Litigation & Policy Section and for New York Supreme Court Judge Louise Gruner Gans.

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