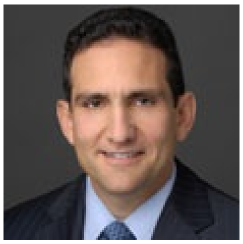

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SELECTED MATTERS:

- Representation of Citigroup, Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and various other banks in connection with the issuance of over $2 billion of high yield notes to finance the acquisition of Clear Channel Communications by affiliates of Bain Capital and Thomas H. Lee.
- Representation of Citigroup and Banc of America Securities as dealer managers in connection with a private exchange offer by Harrah's Operating Company, Inc. of senior secured notes for outstanding notes of Harrah's Operating Company, Inc. and Harrah's Entertainment, Inc.
- Representation of Citigroup, Deutsche Bank Securities, Inc. and various other banks in connection with the issuance of approximately $2 billion of high yield notes to finance the acquisition of Harrah's Entertainment, Inc. by affiliates of Apollo Management, L.P. and Texas Pacific Group.
- Representation of Deutsche Bank Securities Inc. and various other banks in connection with over $3 billion of high-yield notes issued at various corporate levels to finance Intelsat Ltd.'s acquisition of PanAmSat Holding Corporation, and a related tender offer and consent solicitation for outstanding notes of PanAmSat Holding Corporation.
- Representation of various banks in connection with over $1.5

billion in high-yield notes issued in connection with the acquisition of VNU N.V. (parent company of Nielsen Corporation) by a consortium of private equity firms.