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Bruce K. Fenton is a partner in the Commercial Department of Pepper Hamilton LLP. He is chair of the firm's Private Equity Practice Group and Investment Funds Industry Group. He serves as secretary of the Pepper partnership and is a former member of the firm's Executive Committee.

Pepper Hamilton's Investment Funds Industry Group is an interdisciplinary industry group composed of more than 40 lawyers nationwide who focus their practices in areas vital to the success of all types of investment funds throughout their entire life cycle, including with respect to formation, transactional and investment, operational, and regulatory and compliance matters. The Funds Services Group provides fund formation, operations and compliance counseling to sponsors, managers, advisers, and investors from all over the United States, and globally. The group advises investment groups about the complex structuring, operational, and regulatory challenges they face on a daily basis in the investment management business.

Mr. Fenton concentrates his practice in private equity transactions. His practice includes mergers and acquisitions and working closely with the firm's leveraged finance lawyers on the related financing of those deals (both domestically and internationally), as well as private placements and general corporate counseling. He advises both investors and emerging growth businesses in connection with venture capital investments, and also structures and documents limited liability companies, partnerships and joint ventures.

In recent engagements, Mr. Fenton has advised sponsors of funds and other financial buyers (and their portfolio companies), as well as strategic buyers, in completing leveraged buyouts, management buyouts, recapitalizations, mergers, and asset and stock acquisitions; has represented numerous sellers of businesses to both financial and strategic buyers; has counseled companies on contracting, financing, licensing, outsourcing, capitalization, incentive equity, buy-sell, governance, fiduciary duty and other shareholder relations matters.

Mr. Fenton spent almost a decade as an adjunct professor at Temple University School of Law, teaching a class on U.S.-international business planning. He has written the text for a seminar on the differences between partnerships and joint ventures, and he has lectured on limited liability companies and limited liability partnerships. He also has published on the subject of boundary laws and disputes. 2

Mr. Fenton serves as chair of the board of councilors of the Historical Society of Pennsylvania, one of the oldest historical societies in America and the repository of more than 21 million manuscript and graphic items encompassing more than 350 years of America's history. He also is on the board of the Philadelphia Chapter of the Association for Corporate Growth (ACG), and has served as either a chapter committee chair, or an M&A East conference committee chair, for the past 5 years.

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