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Herbert Smith Freehills and Kramer Levin approve combination to form global legal powerhouse

Herbert Smith Freehills and Kramer Levin confirmed today that their partnerships have voted overwhelmingly to combine, creating a fully-integrated global law firm, Herbert Smith Freehills Kramer.

- This will be transformational. The combined firm will have a unique global platform and exceptional reach – the first truly transatlantic and transpacific law firm combination.
- HSF Kramer will deliver unrivalled support to clients on their complex transactions and high-stakes disputes.
- The combination will be a top 20 firm globally, with c.2,700 lawyers including c.630 partners across 26 offices, and will have over US\$2 billion in revenue – underpinned by a single profit pool from day one.

Rebecca Maslen-Stannage, Chair and Senior Partner of Herbert Smith Freehills, said:

"This combination is a historic and long-term commitment from both firms to pursue our future together as one combined firm, and this is just the beginning. We are excited about our shared vision and will build on our strong foundations around the globe."

Justin D'Agostino, Global CEO of Herbert Smith Freehills, said:

"Today is an exciting day – a major milestone for our firms. HSF Kramer's combined offering, global reach and scale means we will be able to deliver more effectively for our clients, whose needs are evolving rapidly in a complex environment."

Paul H. Schoeman and Howard T. Spilko, Co-Managing Partners of Kramer Levin, said:

"Joining forces with HSF is a unique opportunity that enables us to achieve our shared vision and potential for strategic growth in the U.S. This is a significant achievement for our combined firm."

Completion of the combination is expected to take place on 1 June 2025.

About Herbert Smith Freehills

Operating from 24 offices across the UK, Asia, Australia, EMEA and North America, Herbert Smith Freehills provides premium legal advice on dispute resolution, projects and transactions to the world's most important organisations. The firm advises across industry sectors and strategically important areas including private capital, ESG, energy transition and technology and digitalisation.

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About Kramer Levin

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