

PRESS RELEASE

David West Joins The Chicago Corporation as Managing Director

Chicago, IL (October 10, 2011) – The Chicago Corporation, an independent Chicago-based investment banking firm, announced today that Dave West has joined the firm as a Managing Director.

Mr. West has over 25 years of investment banking experience principally in raising private market financing for middle market companies. Mr. West has been involved in over \$3.1 billion of private market financings including senior debt, subordinated debt and equity financings for clients spanning a broad range of industries.

Prior to joining The Chicago Corporation, Mr. West was a Managing Director with Stout Risius Ross Advisors, LLC, primarily focused on providing financial advisory and capital raising services for middle market clients. Previously, Mr. West held senior level positions with HLHZ, Inc., ABN Amro Incorporated, and A.G. Edwards & Sons, Inc.

Fred Floberg, Managing Partner of The Chicago Corporation said, “We are very pleased that David has joined the team. His experience in private placement financing will be a tremendous addition to The Chicago Corporation. His relationships and experience will allow us to better serve our clients as we continue to grow our company.”

Mr. West also holds the CFA designation and is a CPA. He received an MBA with concentrations in Finance and Accounting from the University of Chicago Graduate School of Business and a B.A in Finance and Business Administration from Lewis University.

About The Chicago Corporation

The Chicago Corporation is an independent Chicago-based investment banking firm focused on providing middle-market companies with a range of financial and corporate advisory services including merger and acquisitions, institutional debt and equity capital raising, and financial restructuring. The Chicago Corporation leverages the broad experience of its team to evaluate and implement financial strategies designed to maximize the value of a client’s business. The firm is committed to a “client-first” approach, which ensures that its professionals work together to find the best market-based solution for the client. For more information about The Chicago Corporation, its investment bankers, and Senior Advisors, please visit www.thechicagocorp.com.

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