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Farhad K. Patel Joins Jenner & Block as a Partner in the Firm's Corporate Practice

CHICAGO - Farhad K. Patel has joined Jenner & Block's Chicago office as a Partner in the Firm's Corporate Practice. He brings to the Firm over nine years of experience in complex financing transactions on behalf of borrowers and lenders.

Prior to joining Jenner & Block, Mr. Patel was a Partner in Chapman & Cutler's Corporate Finance Department and a banking attorney for Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom. Mr. Patel has worked on a broad range of financing transactions, including securitizations, secured financings, and synthetic leases.

Mr. Patel received his law degree from the University of Minnesota, where he graduated *magna cum laude*, as a member of the Order of the Coif. In addition, Mr. Patel received his M.B.A, with a concentration in finance and law, from the University of Minnesota.

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