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## Association for Corporate Growth UK announces three new Steering Committee appointments.

ACG UK is pleased to announce the appointment of three new Steering Committee members, with each individual bringing a high level of mid-market M&A expertise, professionalism and experience to the table. The new appointments are:

- Michael Gray, Origination Director, Growth Capital Partners
- Jonathan Williams, Director, Deals Strategy, PwC
- Gemma Phillips, Managing Associate, Addleshaw Goddard

Read more about our new Steering Committee:

## MICHAEL GRAY Origination Director, Growth Capital Partners



Michael joins GCP from A&M Capital where he was Head of Origination. With 12 years private equity experience, Michael previously spent 4 years as Head of Sponsor Coverage at Grant Thornton, responsible for providing deal flow, ideas, insights to PE clients. Prior to this, Michael worked at Lyceum Capital a mid-market private equity investor, responsible for driving their offmarket origination across a number of sectors.

JONATHAN WILLIAMS
Director, Deals Strategy, PwC



Jonathan Williams is a Director in PwC's Transaction Services Group based in London. Mr. Williams has over 10 years' experience in commercial due diligence and strategy development with a particular focus on healthcare and pharma services alongside healthcare technology. Prior to PwC, Mr. Williams worked as a financial analyst at Circle Health. Mr. Williams is a qualified chartered accountant.

Mr. Williams holds an M.A. from the University of Cambridge and an M.Sc from the University of Oxford.

GEMMA PHILLIPS
Managing Associate, Addleshaw Goddard



Gemma advises a number of leading private equity clients on executing their investments, managing portfolio companies during the life of their investments and on helping them achieve successful exits. She also regularly advises management teams on their new and existing equity arrangements, bolt on acquisitions and group re-organisations, and supports them throughout the lifecycle of their businesses. Gemma has recently been named as a rising star in the Legal 500 for mid-tier private equity transactions. She is also a champion for

diversity and inclusion at Addleshaw Goddard and regularly organises and participates in events on creating an inclusive workforce at the firm.

Three long serving Committee members have recently retired from the Steering Committee. Jeremy Harrison, Head of Sales UK, ABN AMRO Asset Based Finance N.V. and Joe Bedford, Partner, Stevens & Bolton both served from ACG UK's launch in 2012. Both have also chaired EuroGrowth, Jeremy twice including co-chairing with Joe in 2019.

Stephen Fishleigh, Director of BackBay Communications' London office, steps away after three years of volunteering with ACG UK.

Our sincere thanks to all three committee members for their service, commitment and support of ACG here in the UK.

The ACG UK Steering Committee is comprised of:

Suzanne Pike, Origination Director, ECI Partner – Chapter President
Thomas Seddon, Principal, Origination, Riverside Europe – Past Chapter President
Laura Maddison, Managing Director, Raymond James
Dimitri Constantinou, Director, Presentation Solutions
Natalie Stacey, Corporate Finance Director, RSM UK
Rob McCarthy, Partner, RSM UK
Tim Hewens, Partner, Osborne Clarke
Georgina Harris, Associate, Charles Russell Speechlys
Michael Gray, Origination Director, Growth Capital Partners
Jonathan Williams, Director, Deals Strategy, PwC
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