Reinhart Institutional Investor Services: Presentation Slides

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Stability & Deep Bench of Legal Team

- Each lawyer has spent >15 years (or for younger attorneys, all/most of their careers) at Reinhart
- Partners have >20 years career ahead of them
- Ability to turn around materials with short deadlines



Firm Background

- Established more than a century ago
 - Full-service law firm
 - National practice: 9 offices (Midwest, Arizona, Colorado)
 - 119 Best Lawyers in America
- Pension practice started more than 50 years ago
 - More than 40 professionals
 - Public Pension Focus (and also Taft-Hartley & Single-Employer pensions)
 - Also provides expertise on Governance, Benefits, ESOPs and Tax
- Reinhart Institutional Investor Services
 - 8 Professionals
 - Started by Keith Johnson (general counsel at SWIB; now retired) and Jussi Snellman in 2005
 - Pension fund clients in 40 states and Europe
 - Serve 12 of the top 25 global pension plans

Why Reinhart?

- Culture
- Value/Values
- Expertise



Culture

- Approach informed by two former public pension plan GC's:
 - Full Service: We serve <u>all</u> of a public pension's legal needs
 - Effective negotiation: We know key items for each client
 - Documentation of process: We make sure files are complete
 - Responsive, efficient and nimble small teams approach
- Mindset we say "yes" to our clients
- Thought leadership unabashedly pro-investor
 - →Reinhart submitted comments to SEC Private Equity rulemaking, advocating stronger clawbacks
 - \rightarrow Involvement in CII, NAPPA, ILPA and other investor-led organizations
- Commitment to diversity and equity

Value/Values

- Subjective Values
 - Conflict free
 - Cross-pollination (overall, and also with specific managers)
- Objective Value
 - Legal Review & Negotiations
 - We get to know each client's unique needs
 - We leverage prior negotiations, based on other clients' successes
 - Efficient Process (described in more detail pages 11-12 below), including Threshold Items Checklist (See sample on last 3 pages)
 - Reasonable fees: We pass on cost savings ...
 - By leveraging prior experience with fund/manager
 - By having lower rates than national firms, due to our Midwest location
 - By offering fixed fee option (either standard fee or bid-per-transaction)

Expertise: Transaction Volume

• Reinhart Institutional Investor Services has grown at a manageable pace over the years

Year	PE, venture Funds*	Hedge Funds	REITS and Infra	Single Investor	Custody, Sec Lend	Workouts	Total**
2022	157	45	32	30	3	1	265
2021	142	41	29	27	3	1	240
2020	137	41	26	24	3	1	229
2019	123	37	23	22	2	1	206
2018	107	43	25	14	3	1	190
2017	74	30	17	9	2	1	131
2016	67	27	15	8	4	1	118
2015	49	20	11	6	3	0	86
2014	43	17	10	5	2	1	76
2013	34	13	8	4	2	1	60

* The Private Equity funds that we advise on are approximately 55% large buyout (United States and Europe), 10% venture funds, 25% focused strategies (e.g., secondaries, energy, aircraft leasing, opportunistic) and 10% mezzanine/lending/credit.

** We do not include Custody and Securities Lending in the total, as they are not transactional.

*** The split between Custody and Securities Lending Agreements is approximately 2/3 Custody and 1/3 Securities Lending.



Expertise with All Types of Agreements

- Commingled Funds
- Co-Investment & Sidecar Funds
- Single-Transaction Co-Investments
- Investment Management Agreements
- Tri-Party Repo and Reverse Repo Agreements
- Custody Agreements
- Securities Lending Agreements
- ISDA Agreements



Additional Expertise

- Extensive knowledge of pension fund best practices
 - Based on numerous client inputs
 - Based on fiduciary reviews of pension plan practices
- Sophisticated tax, litigation and benefits practice
 - \$10 million recovery from a NY bank regarding Custody & foreign tax withholding
 - Manager removals and replacements
 - Workouts and rescue capital
- We have strong ties and experience with the global institutional investor community
 - CII (Council of Institutional Investors)
 - GIGN (Global Institutional Governance Network)
 - ICGN (International Corporate Governance Network)
 - NAPPA (National Association of Public Pension Attorneys)

Representative <u>Investment</u> Clients (Confidential—Trade Secret)

- Maryland State Retirement and Pension System
- Hawaii Employees' Retirement System
- Milwaukee County Employees' Retirement System
- Washington State Investment Board
- Chicago Teachers Pension Fund
- Connecticut State Treasurer
- Illinois Municipal Retirement Fund
- New York State Teachers' Retirement System
- New York State Common Retirement Fund
- New York City Retirement Systems
- New Mexico Public Employees Retirement Association
- State of Wisconsin Investment Board
- University of Wisconsin Foundation
- West Virginia Investment Management Board
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- Massachusetts PRIM
- Employees' Retirement System of the City of Milwaukee
- Tennessee Consolidated Retirement System
- Kentucky Public Pension Authority
- Kentucky Teachers' Retirement System
- Keva (Finland's governmental pension plan for local and county employees)
- VER (Finland's governmental pension plan for state employees)
- Varma (largest private pension insurer in Finland)
- Ilmarinen (Finland's second largest private pension insurer)
- Nordea (Danish pension company and bank)

Private Market Review Process

- 1. Respect client processes and time initial guidance and priorities
- 2. Obtain & review relevant legal documents, and prepare:
 - Threshold Items Checklist color coded key points (See Attachment A)
 - Specific threshold list for hedge funds/open-ended funds and PE-style funds
 - Hedge fund key terms focus on liquidity, transparency and early withdrawal rights if key person event or bad act
 - PE focus includes robust remedies, conflict of interest issues, and information gathering (e.g., ILPA reporting, advisory boards)
 - Proposed Comment memorandum: tracks flagged items in Threshold Checklist
 - Negotiable: changes from prior fund (even if new counsel / entirely new LPA)
 - Negotiable: areas where other investors have received traction
 - *Side Letter Request* based on client form side letter and fund precedent
 - Prepare "abstracts" and "checklists" using client-generated format (as requested)
 - Gating Items List (as requested)

Private Market Fund Process (continued)

3. Obtain Client input and feedback, prior to sending to fund

- 4. Transmit comment memo and side letter terms to fund counsel
- 5.Confer with fund counsel regarding responses to comment memorandum and side letter request

6.Annotate comment memorandum with status and progress – Important record for client files

- 7.Follow-up comments (and negotiations), with input from client and ongoing annotation of comment memorandum
- 8. Frequently: Ongoing negotiations on sticking points, such as
 - Mandatory Public Records Provisions
 - Strong Placement Agent Reps
 - Other pro-investor terms
- 9. Assist with Subscription materials (paralegals with specialized expertise)

10.Most Favored Nation reviews (paralegals with specialized expertise)

Investor-Driven Trends

- We have extensive experience with current and emerging trends in institutional investment, including:
 - ESG Reporting & Investment Restrictions (e.g., climate reporting and sustainability standards, best governance practices, etc.)
 - Broader "ILPA Reporting" to encompass a more holistic approach to transparency
 Increased interest in alternatives to traditional commingled funds
 - Single-Investor Funds
 - Co-investment side cars
 - Direct co-investments
 - Managed co-investment funds



Manager-Driven Trends

- Pre-approval of GP-led secondaries (e.g., continuation funds), permitting GP's to transfer interests after Fund term ends
- Preemptive response to SEC Proposed Rules re. GP Clawback (tax offset): One fund tried to preempt this rule by providing for a clawback that is gross of taxes, but capping it at 55% of the gross clawback instead of 100% of the net clawback. (i.e., less than full clawback.)
- General preapproval of/carveouts from conflicts (for passive minority investors or affiliates that provide services)
- SPAC/de-SPAC transactions (allowing the manager to form a SPAC and enter into SPAC transactions)
- LPAC approvals Managers want to allow LPAC to operate with a smaller (<majority) quorum



Investment-Related Tax Services

Work with clients' in-house attorneys and governmental taxing authorities worldwide to resolve tax issues relevant to public funds, such as:

- **Structuring investments** to maximize use of unique tax characteristics of public funds as governmental entities.
- Ensuring that the most favorable **tax exemptions under local law and tax treaties** for the foreign investments are used.
- Facilitating reclaims of withheld domestic and foreign taxes and establishing automatic procedures for custodians or investment managers to remove administrative burdens from pension plan staff.
- Hedge Funds: Extensive experience with master-feeder structures, including Cayman Islands and Channel Islands.
- Providing tax opinions and guidance, as needed.



Other Services for Investors

- Fiduciary Counsel Services
- Independent Securities Litigation Reviews
- Custody and Securities Lending Agreements
- Breakups with managers (GP removals, SEC investigations)



Questions?

THANK YOU!

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