

## **ADAM STREET ADVISERS ACQUIRES NEXUS CORPORATE FINANCE AND BUILDS FOR THE FUTURE**

London, 29 September 2015: Advisory and investment firm, Adam Street Advisers Limited, has acquired Nexus Corporate Finance LLP. As a result of the deal Nexus Corporate Finance has rebranded and will continue to provide corporate finance advisory and capital raising services to small and medium size companies, entrepreneurs, management teams and private equity funds, under the Adam Street Advisers name.

Adam Street Advisers will continue to build on the firm's long standing reputation as experts in the UK healthcare and education sectors. The team remains the same with the addition of new arrivals to follow in the autumn to support the planned growth of the business over the next few years.

Since the acquisition of Nexus Corporate Finance, Acuity Legal Limited has acquired a strategic minority stake in Adam Street Advisers, and the two firms now make up the Adam Street Group. This strategic partnership will give clients of Adam Street Advisers the ability to benefit from a combined corporate finance and legal service.

Andrew Barnsley, Founder of Adam Street Advisers, commented: "The corporate finance market is evolving. Entrepreneurs, owners of small and medium size companies and management teams want one point of contact that they can trust for their advice. Giving clients the option to combine services helps streamline the transaction process and drives efficiencies for the benefit of clients. This latest development reflects the Adam Street Advisers' dynamic and entrepreneurial approach to identifying and capitalising on changing market opportunities."

Steve Berry, Chairman of Acuity Legal, has joined the board of Adam Street Advisers. Steve commented: "Acuity Legal is delighted to be part of the Adam Street Group. We bring complementary skills and expertise to those of the Adam Street Advisers team and through the Adam Street Group we can offer clients the option of combined legal and corporate finance advice. We have the expertise and critical mass to build on the great reputation of both firms and this can only be good news for the clients of Adam Street Advisers and Acuity Legal."

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About the Adam Street Group: The Adam Street Group is a professional association made up of Adam Street Advisors and Acuity Legal, and has a combined team of over 70 professionals, including analysts, corporate finance advisers, researchers and legal advisers. The Adam Street Group offers clients the ability to make a joint instruction for corporate finance and legal services. Alternatively, the client has the freedom to elect which services it requires and appoint either Adam Street Advisers or Acuity separately.

About Adam Street Advisers: Adam Street Advisers (formerly Nexus Corporate Finance) was established in 2008 by Andrew Barnsley and is a London based advisory boutique that is authorised and regulated by the Financial Conduct Authority. It specialises in advising shareholders and management teams of UK based private companies on mergers and acquisitions, raising private equity, management buy-outs, and arranging and restructuring debt and have a market leading position on the healthcare and education sectors. Its typical transaction size ranges from £2m to £100m, with experience of much larger capital raising and restructuring transactions in healthcare and education.

About Acuity Legal: The Acuity team has offices in London and Cardiff and a client base that includes entrepreneurs, mid-sized businesses, FTSE and AIM listed companies. Acuity Legal, specialises in corporate and real estate transactions and projects. Acuity has a strong reputation and track record in the healthcare and education sectors which complements the Adam Street Advisers team. Acuity is also highly respected for its finance and investment work, both for institutions, corporate clients and management teams.