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STIFEL DEEPENS FIXED INCOME PLATFORM WITH SENIOR TALENT

Industry veterans Conor Daly and Jim Franz appointed Co-Heads of European Leveraged Finance Sales

ST. LOUIS & LONDON, September 10, 2026 – Stifel Financial Corp. (NYSE: SF) today announced the appointments of Conor Daly and Jim Franz as Co-Heads of Leveraged Finance Sales in Europe, further strengthening the firm's global Fixed Income platform. Based in London, Messrs. Daly and Franz bring five decades of combined experience in European leveraged finance, high yield and distressed credit, along with deep relationships across the institutional investor community.

"We see a significant opportunity to grow our Fixed Income business in Europe and are investing in the people and capabilities to do so," said David Rubulotta, Global Co-Head of Fixed Income Capital Markets at Stifel. "Conor and Jim are highly respected professionals with deep experience across the European leveraged finance market, and their decision to join Stifel is a strong endorsement of our platform. Fixed Income is a core part of Stifel's advisory and investment banking franchise, giving our corporate clients access to the markets, liquidity, and financing solutions they need to execute their strategic priorities."

Mr. Daly joins Stifel with over 25 years of experience in both sales and trading. Most recently, he served as Head of High Yield and Distressed Sales and Trading at Aurel Partners, part of the BGC Group. Over the past 15 years, he has focused on the European distressed market, cultivating strong relationships with many of the region's leading investors. His previous roles include Head of Leveraged Credit Sales at Lloyds Bank, Senior Distressed Salesperson at SC Lowy, and Co-Head of Leveraged Products at Seaport Europe, where he was responsible for European high yield, loan, and distressed businesses spanning sales, trading, and research. Mr. Daly began his career at Bank of Montreal as a proprietary trader focused on rates and credit.

Mr. Franz most recently spent 17 years at Cantor Fitzgerald, where he led the firm's European high-yield and distressed business. With more than 30 years of experience across leveraged finance, high yield, and distressed credit markets, he brings deep knowledge and a well-established presence within the European investment community. Prior to Cantor Fitzgerald, Mr. Franz worked at Citigroup in sales for nearly 10 years, focusing on European high yield and distressed markets.

"We were attracted to Stifel's highly regarded fixed income franchise, distinguished by its client-first approach and strong culture of collaboration," said Messrs. Daly and Franz in a joint statement. "We are excited to join the firm at a pivotal time for the business and look forward to working with our new colleagues to capitalize on the opportunities ahead."

Stifel Fixed Income Capital Markets delivers a global platform that supports the diverse investment and financing needs of institutional clients across North America, Europe, and Asia. Serving depository institutions, financial companies, hedge funds, insurance companies, asset managers, and public sector entities, the platform provides access to liquidity, capital, and strategic solutions across the fixed income markets. Backed by a client-focused approach and continued investment in talent and capabilities, Stifel continues to expand its presence and reach across key markets around the world.

Stifel Company Information

Stifel Financial Corp. (NYSE: SF) is a diversified financial services firm providing wealth management, commercial and investment banking, trading, and research services to individuals, institutions, and municipalities. Founded in

1890 and headquartered in St. Louis, Missouri, the firm operates more than 400 offices across the United States and in major global financial centers. As a firm where success meets success, Stifel works closely with retail and institutional clients aiming to transform opportunities into achievement. To learn more about Stifel, please visit the Company's website at Stifel.com. For global disclosures, please visit www.stifel.com/investor relations/press-releases.

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