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Our Leisure group is consistently highly ranked with a number of large longstanding clients operating in the pubs, bars & restaurants, health & fitness, gaming, sport and museum sectors. We regularly act on very high profile matters, which receive considerable international press coverage.

By working with us, you benefit from working with a team that really understands the sector and issues, developed from our impressive track record of advising on a wide range of leisure and sport transactions, coupled with our insight developed through many long-term relationships with some of the industry's key players.

In 2008, CMS was ranked number one for volume of transactions in the Leisure sector across Europe by Mergermarket. One of these transactions, Nuffield Health's acquisition of Cannons Health & Fitness was named Leisure Report's Deal of the Year 2008.

Highlights of our relevant experience across Europe

We advised

AAC Capital Partners

- on the sale of Park Resorts Group Ltd, a caravan park operator, to GI Partners, a transatlantic private equity firm, for GBP 440 million. Park Resorts Group Ltd was ACC Capital Partner's largest ever exit to date
- on the GBP 70 million acquisition of the T.G.I Friday's Restaurant Business of Whitbread Group by AAC Capital Partners and Carlson Companies

Avenir Entreprises Gestion, a French private equity company

- on the sale of its shares in French travel agency, Tourexcel

Bank Austria Creditanstalt

- on the construction finance of shopping mall Palác Pardubice in the Czech Republic with significant leisure elements

Budejovický mestanský pivovar a.s. (brewery)

- on trademark and protected geographical indication issues relating to settlement of international disputes with Anheuser-Busch in the Czech Republic

CIB Bank

- on the financing of Aquaworld and Ramada Plaza Hotel Complex in Hungary, one of the largest aqua and hotel complexes in Europe

Credit Suisse

- on the financing of the acquisition of the Olomouc shopping and entertainment centre in the Czech Republic

Crucible Acquisitions Limited, a vehicle backed by Greenhill Capital Partners

- on its acquisition of Rileys, the UK operator of snooker and pool clubs

Cultus Opera Producciones

- on the planning, development, construction and financing issues for a complex of opera halls, theatres and concert halls in Spain.

Enterprise Inns

- on negotiations with HMRC and the Treasury in relation to the rules relating to REIT conversion and the nature of Enterprise Inns' business model as to whether it falls within its requirements for a REIT
- on all major acquisitions and funding transactions since its formation in 1991. Enterprise currently has an estate of approx. 7,750 pubs (September 2008)

Ferrari

- on the litigation against McLaren relating to Formula 1 GP trade secrets

The Spanish subsidiary of the Heineken Group

- on the 'Theme Bars' division of the company (more than 500 bars distributed throughout Spain such as Gambrinus, White Cross, Beer Station and The Amsetleria) on distribution and competition issues

La Latina

- on the lease and future sale and purchase of the 'La Latina' theatre in Spain

LGV Capital

- on its GBP 65 million acquisition of the Sandpiper CI pubs, restaurants and brewery business

Nuffield Hospitals

- on the share acquisition of Health Club Investments Group Ltd (parent company of Cannons Health and Fitness and related businesses) from PPM Capital and the subsequent sale of nine Nuffield hospitals to General Healthcare Group

Pradera-AM PLC

- on the purchase of three retail centres in the Czech Republic in various cities – Park Hana, Ostrava Retail Park, Futurum Ostrava including financing. The shopping centre includes restaurants, cinema and entertainment facilities

Pramerica Real Estate Investors

- on the financing of the acquisition of Tulip shopping centre in Martin, Slovakia, including restaurants

Real Club de Golf las Brisas

- on employment law, competition issues and corporate matters including a works contracts for the Club house, lease agreement for the restaurant and the purchase contract of a desalinisation plant

United Internet AG

- on the sale of German online games portal Bigpoint GmbH to a private equity-backed management team

The All England Tennis Club

- on a transaction with the Lawn Tennis Association and a number of debenture issues

A Tier 1 contractor

- on construction matters for a major project for the 2012 Olympics

Waterland Private Equity

- on the sale of Loewen Play GmbH, the German operator of gambling halls to a management buyout team backed by AXA Private Equity

Welcome Break, the UK operator of motorway service areas

- on its sale to a consortium of funds led by the Challenger Infrastructure Fund

W.H. Brakspear & Sons plc

- on the public-to-private takeover by J.T.D.Investments

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