



Gauntlet Commercial Real Estate Capital Enters into JV Partnership with AP Capital Partners

AP Capital Partners, LLC (APCP), a private equity firm that takes long-term assignments in exceptional enterprises, entered today into a joint venture partnership with Gauntlet Commercial Real Estate Capital, LLC, based in Scottsdale, AZ. The partnership positions Gauntlet to capitalize on APCP's proven track record, while enabling APCP to leverage Gauntlet's capabilities in sourcing and structuring attractive, prudently priced commercial real estate transactions.

Scottsdale, AZ ([PRWEB](#)) October 6, 2009 -- AP Capital Partners (APCP), a private equity firm that takes long-term assignments in exceptional enterprises, announced today that it has recently assumed a joint venture partnership with Gauntlet Commercial Real Estate Capital, LLC, based in Scottsdale, AZ. The partnership positions Gauntlet to capitalize on APCP's proven track record, while enabling APCP to leverage Gauntlet's capabilities in sourcing and structuring attractive, prudently priced commercial real estate transactions. APCP may be well positioned in time to launch a CRE Division in which Gauntlet CREC will likely play an instrumental role.

Currently, Gauntlet CREC is engaged with investment partners with over \$3.5 billion in combined capital for deployment in domestic and international commercial real estate transactions. A number of these relationships are seeking placements in private equity transactions. "When private equity and M&A transactions entered our discussions over time, I knew we needed to expand our reach. AP Capital Partners represents an outstanding strategic choice with which our investors are very pleased," said Michael Clinton, Managing Partner of Gauntlet CREC. In the immediate term, Gauntlet CREC will continue its focus on CRE transactions, particularly debt and distressed debt deals. However, it will now solicit investors for private equity transactions through its new partnership with APCP. Gauntlet CREC is positioned to deploy capital on behalf of its partners beginning as early as the fourth quarter of 2009.

Delivering poignant financing in today's market, Gauntlet CREC provides creative financing avenues for commercial real estate transactions of \$1 million dollars and above. The firm's principals, having secured and managed in excess of \$2 billion dollars in capital, give Gauntlet CREC an edge in managing transaction from inception to close. With a combined 28 years of experience, Gauntlet CREC specializes in providing structured financing to owners and investors with the foresight of changing market conditions, while helping navigate today's financial markets. Whether you are a developer, principal, broker or fund manager, Gauntlet's solid foundation is the platform for which dynamic relationships are formed and successful real estate transactions are created.

APCP is a private equity firm that undertakes long-term assignments in exceptional enterprises. The firm's portfolio companies collectively generate approximately \$1 billion in sales and employ over 6000 individuals worldwide. The firm's goals are to dramatically improve financial performance, deliver best-in-class products and services, and create environments for employees. APCP delivers strong relationships, a true partnership approach, and effective execution to outstanding middle-market enterprises. The APCP team includes highly successful financiers, institutional investors, and entrepreneurs.



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