



John Quartararo Joins Castle Hill Capital Partners, Inc.

Initial investor and senior partner of Merlin Securities joins Castle Hill as partner and senior managing director and will provide strategic counsel on capital raising and business consulting

NEW YORK – April 14, 2015 – [Castle Hill Capital Partners, Inc.](#), (Castle Hill) a broker/dealer offering strategic capital raising and consulting services, today announced that John Quartararo has joined the firm as a partner and senior managing director. John is a highly regarded industry executive and brings over 20 years of experience to Castle Hill, most recently serving as a Managing Director and co-head of sales at Wells Fargo Prime Services after the acquisition of Merlin Securities in 2012.

John was an initial investor and senior partner of Merlin Securities from launch through the sale of the firm in 2012 to Wells Fargo. During that time, he was a member of the executive committee, focused on sales and marketing and was responsible for a number of strategic growth initiatives. Prior to Merlin, John was senior managing director at Citigate Group, a London based PLC focused on providing business development counsel to global financial services companies.

“I was immediately impressed by what Castle Hill has achieved in less than a year. The team’s exceptional drive to build a lean entrepreneurial business, truly focused on client outcomes, immediately resonated with me. In addition, Castle Hill’s expansive investor network, significant successes and loyal customers are a strong base to build from. They have created the optimal, independent, broker agnostic platform to serve clients and drive their growth. I am excited to get to work,” said John Quartararo, Senior Partner and Managing Director of Castle Hill.

“We are thrilled to add someone of John’s industry stature and reputation to Castle Hill. His considerable talents, experience and broad industry relationships add significantly to our intellectual capital, and our clients will immediately benefit from his proven expertise. We welcome John to Castle Hill, especially at a time of considerable challenges and new opportunities in the capital raising and prime brokerage landscape. John will augment our offering and accelerate the next stage of our firm’s growth,” added Brian Stutman, President of Castle Hill.

John joins firm partners Brian Stutman, Michael Palazzi, Andrew Saunders, and Geoffrey Webster. All Castle Hill partners are accomplished industry veterans with extensive experience at prominent firms including Lazard Capital Markets, Royal Bank of Canada, Morgan Stanley, Goldman Sachs, and Oppenheimer in capital introduction, sales and trading, prime brokerage, electronic execution and operations.

About Castle Hill Capital Partners, Inc.

Formed in 2014, Castle Hill provides an innovative and integrated offering centered on “**Alpha and Assets.**” Our sole focus is on driving our client’s growth through strategic capital raising, independent research distribution, business consulting and brokerage solutions. As industry veterans, the founders identified these key areas of intense client interest that were not being effectively delivered by traditional service providers. Castle Hill acts as a trusted advisor in all client engagements and aspires to exceed client expectations through accountability and alignment of outcomes. Castle Hill is a licensed broker-dealer, registered with the Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and is a member of The Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA). Additional Information, including case studies about current client engagements and partner biographies, can be found at www.castlehillcap.com.

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