

Stellus Capital Management, LLC Supports Pamlico's Acquisition of Becker's

Houston – TX, July 11, 2017 - Stellus Capital Management, LLC ("Stellus") announced today that it participated in providing unitranche debt to support Pamlico Capital's acquisition of Becker's.

Headquartered in Chicago, Becker's is an information and media platform that has established a thought leadership position in the "business of healthcare." Becker's serves more than 600 customers under four core brands targeting specific healthcare verticals – Hospitals, Ambulatory Surgery Centers, Spine/Orthopedics, and Infection Control & Clinical Quality. Within the core verticals, Becker's has five industry conferences, eleven digital properties, and four magazines to engage healthcare industry leaders and key decision makers.

Pamlico has strong experience in the B2B media and events space and believes Becker's is an attractive opportunity within a large and growing industry.

About Stellus

Stellus Capital is a leading middle market private investment firm with approximately \$1.5 billion of assets under management (as of April 30, 2017) across its two investment platforms: private credit and energy private equity. The private credit platform focuses on originating direct loans to middle market companies. The energy private equity platform focuses on providing flexible equity capital to small and middle market energy companies. Each platform is led by a dedicated investment team investing out of strategy-specific funds.

Collectively, the Stellus Capital team has invested over \$4 billion in the middle market over the last 10+ years. Stellus has offices in Houston, TX and the Washington D.C. area. For additional information, please visit us at www.stelluscapital.com.