

Center Rock Capital Partners Announces the Hiring of Terry Theodore as Partner and Executive Vice President

Experienced investors reunite to build a sustainable firm and oversee investing activities.

Rolling Meadows, IL — September 18, 2017 — Center Rock Capital Partners, LP (“Center Rock”) is pleased to announce that the firm has hired Terry Theodore as Partner and Executive Vice President. Terry will be joining Ian Kirson, Partner and President, in overseeing the investing activities of the firm.

“Terry is one of the most creative and successful investors I have had the privilege of working with,” said Center Rock’s founder Ian Kirson. “Terry and I have recently spent 12 years working together and collaborating on numerous challenging and rewarding transactions. I am very excited that Terry has agreed to join me in this new venture.”

Terry began his professional career with Credit Suisse and has previously held positions with Bear Stearns, Kidd Kamm & Company, Questor and from 2004 to 2016 at Wynnchurch Capital as a Partner and member of the firm’s investment committee.

“I am very excited to join Ian and look forward to building Center Rock with him for many years to come,” said Mr. Theodore. “We have proven to be a very effective team because we know each other so well and our skills are highly complementary. There is no one better than Ian at analyzing and getting a deal closed. More importantly, his approach of building his firm based on a positive culture and continuous learning align perfectly with my objectives.”

Center Rock was formed earlier in 2017 by Ian Kirson, who began his professional career at Kirkland & Ellis and held positions with Goldman Sachs, Willis Stein & Partners, Crossroads Capital Partners and from 2004 to 2017 at Wynnchurch Capital, most recently as a Partner and member of the firm’s investment committee.

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About Center Rock Capital Partners, LP

Center Rock is a Midwest-based private equity firm focused on building leading industrial companies in the lower middle market. Center Rock invests in complex transactions arising from operational or transactional challenges. The firm seeks industrial manufacturing, industrial services and industrial distribution companies headquartered in North America, often with multi-national operations and locations that serve both domestic and global markets.

With substantial expertise in closing complex transactions and working with management teams to improve performance, Center Rock’s investment professionals have the flexibility and tools to invest in complex situations, understand the challenges, construct solutions and build value in lower middle market industrial companies.

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