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Usman Sawar counsels on a wide range of public and private M&A transactions (with a particular focus on financial institutions).

Mr. Sawar's experience since joining Skadden includes advising:

- Blackstone on the establishment of Syndicate 2478, a reinsurance syndicate at Lloyd's that will be a multiyear participant on AIG's outwards reinsurance program. Syndicate 2478 will be supported by third-party capital from funds managed by Blackstone through the London Bridge 2 PCC structure and Blackstone will act as investment manager for syndicate assets

Mr. Sawar's experience prior to joining Skadden includes advising:

- Close Brothers on the sale of Close Brothers Asset Management to Oaktree
- Redrow Plc on the recommended all-share offer for the combination of Redrow Plc and Barratt Developments plc
- HomeServe plc on a recommended acquisition by Brookfield Infrastructure
- the U.K. Department for Leveling Up Housing and Communities on the government-backed professional indemnity insurance scheme for external wall system assessors
- Aviva on the disposal of its:
  - Vietnam business to Manulife
  - Singapore business to a consortium led by Singapore Life Ltd.
  - · Indonesian business to PT Astra International Tbk
- Blackstone Tactical Opportunities on its investment in Ki (the first fully digital and algorithmically-driven Lloyd's syndicate)
- Global Risk Partners on a major investment by Searchlight Capital
- Standard Life Aberdeen on the sale of its insurance business to Phoenix Group Holdings

Prior to joining Skadden, Mr. Sawar practised at a Magic Circle law firm in London.