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## **Clarus Capital Hires Equipment Finance Veteran Chris Swanton to Lead Capital Markets**

### Clarus Capital Expands Leadership Team with Seasoned Hire

Boston, Massachusetts, January 10, 2022 – Clarus Capital (“Clarus”) announced today that it has hired veteran equipment finance executive Chris Swanton as Head of Capital Markets, to lead its coverage of institutional accounts with responsibility for sourcing and syndicating new equipment finance and leasing opportunities through a network of capital market relationships. Mr. Swanton will be located in the firm's Boston, MA headquarters.

Mr. Swanton has more than 30 years of experience originating and structuring equipment financings for clients both domestically and cross-border. Prior to joining Clarus Capital, Mr. Swanton was an SVP at SLR Equipment Finance. Previously, he worked for Citizens Bank where he was responsible for managing the Asset Finance sales team within the bank footprint. Mr. Swanton served as President of Equipment Finance and Leasing at Sovereign (now Santander) Bank for 6 years where he oversaw the middle market and large corporate leasing team, the small ticket and vendor equipment finance division and the aircraft finance division. He also held senior level roles at Key Bank and Bank of Tokyo (now MUFG).

Chris has served as Chairman of the ELFA Financial Institutions Business Council Steering Committee. The ELFA is the national industry association for the equipment finance and leasing industry.

"We are excited to add Chris as a senior member of our organization," said Steve O'Leary, Clarus Capital's Chief Executive Officer. "He is well known in the marketplace and has tremendous relationships with banks, commercial finance companies, brokers and other centers of influence. His investment acumen and extensive transaction experience make him a tremendous fit with us and we are really pleased to have him join."

"This is an exceptional time to join a high performance, growing organization with a long and successful track record in the equipment finance market" said Mr. Swanton. "I look forward to expanding and deepening our coverage of institutional accounts on a national scale, and to working with Steve and the team as we build Clarus into a pre-eminent equipment finance platform."

### About Clarus Capital

Clarus Capital is a commercial finance company specializing in delivering efficient capital solutions to finance tangible assets for non-investment grade middle market and large corporate borrowers. The Company targets investments up to \$30 million across a wide array of equipment types, industries and throughout the credit spectrum via a seasoned group of investment professionals with diverse risk management and structuring expertise. Clarus Capital was formed as a partnership between a proven leadership team and long-term institutional capital with the goal of building a comprehensive equipment finance platform that addresses the needs of U.S. middle market companies. The firm is headquartered in Boston, MA and has a nationwide footprint across the United States. For more detailed information about Clarus Capital, please visit our website at [www.claruscap.com](http://www.claruscap.com) or contact us at [info@claruscap.com](mailto:info@claruscap.com).