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ZIEGLER ADVISES ACCESS RADIOLOGY ON ITS PARTNERSHIP WITH RADIOLOGY PARTNERS

CHICAGO, IL – MARCH 29, 2018 – Ziegler, a specialty investment bank, is pleased to announce it served as the exclusive financial advisor to <u>Access Radiology</u> on its partnership with <u>Radiology</u> <u>Partners.</u>

Access Radiology was established through the consolidation of three leading radiology groups in Lake Charles, LA, Alexandria, LA and Slidell, LA. The three groups have long-standing relationships in their local communities, having provided high quality radiology services since 1953. Today, the practice serves 40+ hospitals, imaging centers and physician practices throughout Louisiana and Mississippi. The practice maintains key relationships with various health systems, including HCA and Christus Health.

With this partnership, Radiology Partners expands its radiology services into Louisiana and Mississippi, and further establishes Radiology Partners as a preferred partner of choice for leading radiology practices and radiology physician services. As a result of the partnership, Access Radiology will gain additional technological, clinical, and administrative capabilities, as well as the scalability and efficiencies that come from partnering with a national provider.

"Access Radiology is honored to be part of Radiology Partners, a physician led practice that empowers local radiologists to transform radiology. Andrew Colbert and the Ziegler team was a trusted partner and advisor throughout the process," said Don Thomas, practice President. "Andrew always put Access Radiology's interests first and his radiology industry knowledge and experience proved absolutely invaluable. We are very pleased with the outcome!"

"The Access Radiology team has built an extremely impressive platform; one that is recognized not

only for its reputation for high quality care, but also for its community involvement to ensure that all patients have access to high quality medical care." commented <u>Andrew Colbert</u>, Managing Director in Ziegler's Corporate Finance practice and lead banker on this transaction. "We could not be more thrilled to have represented Access Radiology throughout this process."

Brent Hill and team at Waller Lansden Dortch & Davis, LLP served as legal counsel to Access Radiology.

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Andrew Colbert is a Managing Director and founding member of Ziegler's Healthcare Investment Banking Practice. Mr. Colbert has represented eleven radiology groups on innovative transactions; he specializes in advising physician groups on strategic and financing alternatives including merger and acquisitions, capital raising transactions and partnership development.

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