

# Gibson Dunn Continues Expansion of Market-Leading Investment Funds Team With the Arrival of Partner Carolyn Abram in Dubai

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Gibson Dunn is pleased to announce that Carolyn (Caro) Abram has joined the firm's Dubai office as a partner in its Investment Funds Practice Group.

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Commenting on Caro's arrival, Shukie Grossman, Global Chair of Gibson Dunn's Investment Funds Practice Group, said: "Caro is a rising star in funds work in the Middle East and North Africa, representing both regional sponsors and institutional investors, and makes an excellent addition to our expanding Investment Funds practice. She will work closely with colleagues in Dubai, Abu Dhabi, and Riyadh, as well as with lawyers on the Investment Funds team globally."

Marwan Elaraby, Partner in Charge of Gibson Dunn's Dubai office, added: "We continue to see many opportunities to support our regional, inbound, and outbound clients in the Middle East. Caro's arrival adds even more depth to our transactional platform in the region, where we are seeing the results of our significant investments in recent years."

"Clients are seeking creative, compliant, and market-ready solutions — I am excited to extend Gibson Dunn's world-class Investment Funds practice to the Middle East, so we can deliver exactly that, helping to position clients for the growth and success we are seeing in this region," said Caro.

Gibson Dunn's elite Investment Funds Practice Group advises sponsors across all geographies, asset classes, and matter types. The team is recognized as a leading practice in *Chambers Global*, *Chambers Asia-Pacific*, and *Chambers USA 2025*, which describes it as "the go-to firm and one-stop shop for all clients' legal needs." The practice continues to grow internationally, with market-leading partner [James O'Donnell](#) and of counsel [Hannah Watson Fanin](#) joining the team in London in recent weeks.

## About Caro Abram

Caro is recognized for her advice to fund sponsors on the formation and structuring of private investment funds spanning asset classes and jurisdictions. With a proven track record in guiding clients to successful fund launches, Caro advises on every stage of fund formation, from initial structuring and regulatory navigation to closings and operation. Her practice also encompasses advising on related investment arrangements, such as seed and stake investments, asset manager joint ventures, co-investment and warehousing arrangements, carried interest structures, secondaries transactions, and fund restructurings. She additionally represents institutional investors on their capital placements into private funds, co-investment structures, and managed accounts. Caro's regulatory expertise supports both regional and global asset managers looking to establish or expand operations in the Middle East and North Africa.

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She is ranked as Up and Coming for Investment Funds, Middle East-wide, in *Chambers Global 2025*, where clients describe her as “really excellent” and as having “a lot of expertise concerning the jurisdiction and investors in the region.” *Legal 500 UAE* has recognized Caro as a Next Generation Partner for Investment Fund Formation and Management, and Lexology Index has recognized her for Private Funds – Regulatory. Caro earned her Bachelor of Arts from the University of Oxford.

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