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Northcreek Mezzanine Closes Its 50th Investment

The Cincinnati-based private investment firm launches fundraising for its third fund.

CINCINNATI (May 30, 2019) – Northcreek Mezzanine ("Northcreek"), a leading provider of mezzanine debt and equity to small businesses in the United States, today announced the successful closing of its 50th investment. Northcreek provided capital to assist Monument Microcap Partner's acquisition of Command Investigations. Based in Lake Mary, Florida, Command Investigations is a provider of surveillance and anti-fraud programming to the insurance industry. Monument Microcap Partners, based in Indianapolis, IN, is an independent private investment firm seeking to sponsor the acquisitions of companies in the lower end of the middle market.

Since 2010, Northcreek Mezzanine has been making mezzanine debt and equity investments in small businesses across the United States. Northcreek Mezzanine is a Small Business Investment Company ("SBIC"), and manages over \$248 million in two investment funds. Northcreek made investments in 21 small businesses out of its \$74 million Fund I beginning in 2010. Northcreek started investing out of its \$174 million Fund II in 2014 with its investment in Command representing its 29th investment in Fund II and 50th investment across both Funds. The combined revenues and earnings before interest, taxes, depreciation and amortization (EBITDA) of all 50 companies exceeds \$1.9 billion and \$231 million, respectively.

"Our investment in Command Investigations represents a milestone for our business. Since 2010, the Northcreek team has worked hard to provide the capital required by small businesses to help them grow and accumulate wealth," said Barry Peterson, Managing Partner of Northcreek Mezzanine. "Across all of our investments, we have seen the enterprise value grow by 50% representing close to \$500 million of wealth creation. We are especially proud of the fact that employment across all of our companies has grown from 6,353 hardworking people at the time of our investment to over 14,539 people today, representing creation of over 8,100 jobs."

Based on its success in the first two funds, Northcreek just launched fundraising for its third investment fund, Northcreek Mezzanine Fund III. "We are excited to kick off fundraising for Fund III," said Rodger

Davis, Managing Partner of Northcreek Mezzanine. "We are proud of our results in the first two funds and thoroughly enjoyed working with the management teams and our investment partners and look forward to continuing our mission of investing in small businesses and creating wealth." Northcreek is targeting an investment fund of between \$175 to \$210 million for Fund III and expects to begin investing out of the new fund by the end of 2019.

About Northcreek Mezzanine

Located in Cincinnati, OH, Northcreek Mezzanine is an award-winning SBIC licensed private investment firm that provides dynamically structured mezzanine debt and equity investments to lower middlemarket companies. An SBIC is a privately owned and managed investment fund that is licensed and regulated by the U.S. Small Business Administration. An SBIC uses its own capital, plus funds borrowed with an SBA guarantee, to make equity and debt investments in qualifying small businesses.

Northcreek invests out of two private investment funds with more than \$250 million under management. Northcreek works with management teams, business owners and private equity groups to provide the capital needed for a variety of purposes including the acquisition or buyout of a business, capital for growth including acquisition of equipment, product lines and/or personnel, and capital to deleverage a balance sheet. As a financial partner to more than hundreds of businesses, the principals of Northcreek have developed a strong and valued reputation as a trusted and reliable financial partner.

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