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Dealmakers

Sklar Kirsh, Cooley help pharmaceutical company change hands

Sklar Kirsh LLP advised Catalent Inc., a provider of products and services to the pharmaceutical industry, in its acquisition of Pharmatek Laboratories Inc. Sklar Kirsh disclosed the details of its involvement Oct. 20. Financial terms of the deal were not disclosed.

Cooley LLP advised Pharmatek, a San Diego-based pharmaceutical company that specializes in drug development and clinical manufacturing.

Catalent was expected to make the acquisition through its wholly owned subsidiary, Catalent Pharma Solutions Inc.

Catalent said it expected Pharmatek would add early-phase drug development capabilities, bring spray drying into its portfolio of drug formulation and delivery technologies, and expand Catalent's capability for handling highly potent compounds.

The deal closed earlier this month.

The Sklar Kirsh team advising Catalent included partner Scott R. Ehrlich (pictured) along with associates Simone Collins and Yulia Terentyeva. Kenneth J. Rollins, a San Diego partner, led the Cooley team, which included partners Rama Padmanabhan and Todd J. Gluth along with associates Matthew D. Silverman, Brandon Seal and Eric Kauffman. Barbara R. Mirza, a Santa Monica partner, also advised.



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