

## LAZARD LTD COMPLETES CONVERSION TO A U.S. C-CORPORATION AND IS RENAMED LAZARD, INC.

NEW YORK, January 2, 2024 – Lazard, Inc. (NYSE: LAZ) announced today that it has completed its previously announced conversion from a publicly traded partnership to a U.S. C-Corporation under Delaware Law and changed its name from Lazard Ltd to Lazard, Inc., effective January 1, 2024.

As a result of the conversion, distributions will generally be dividends for U.S. tax purposes, and shareholders will receive a Form 1099-DIV. Lazard shareholders of record in 2023 will receive a final Schedule K-1 in March 2024.

Peter R. Orszag, Chief Executive Officer of Lazard, said: "We are pleased to complete our conversion to a U.S. corporation. We believe this structure will expand our shareholder base by simplifying tax reporting and enhancing trading liquidity. This conversion also underscores our commitment to our broader plan to deliver long-term value for our shareholders."

For more information about the conversion, please visit the FAQs and Conversion/Tax Information section of the Investor Relations website at <a href="https://www.lazard.com">www.lazard.com</a>.

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