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BURFORD CAPITAL RAISES MORE THAN $250 MILLION FOR CONTINUING EXPANSION

Successful equity placing of 10,411,898 new ordinary shares in Burford Capital achieved

Burford Capital Limited ("Burford" or the "Company"), the leading global finance and investment management firm focused on law, is pleased to announce that 10,411,898 new Ordinary Shares (the "Placing Shares") have been placed with existing and new institutional investors and were placed at a price of 1850 pence per share via an accelerated bookbuild (the "Placing"). The Placing raised approximately £192.6 million (US$251.2 million) before expenses and the Placing Shares represent approximately 5 per cent. of the issued ordinary share capital of the Company prior to the Placing. The Placing was well oversubscribed and was priced at a discount of 2.86% to Burford’s volume-weighted average share price since the release of its interim results.

Application has been made for the Placing Shares to be admitted to trading on the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange plc ("Admission"). It is expected that Admission will become effective at commencement of trading on 4 October 2018 and settlement for the Placing Shares is expected to take place on the same date on a T+2 basis. The Placing is conditional upon, inter alia, Admission becoming effective. The Placing is also conditional upon the Placing Agreement not being terminated in accordance with its terms.

Following Admission, the total number of shares of the Company in issue will be 218,649,877. Burford currently holds no shares as treasury shares and therefore, following Admission, the total number of voting shares in the Company will be 218,649,877.

Numis Securities Limited ("Numis") and Joh. Berenberg, Gossler & Co. KG, London Branch ("Berenberg") acted as Joint Global Co-ordinators and Joint Bookrunners and Macquarie Capital (Europe) Limited ("Macquarie") as Joint Bookrunner in connection with the Placing.

Christopher Bogart, Chief Executive of Burford, commented:

"We are delighted with the strong response from current and new shareholders to this modest expansion of our equity capital, which will serve as an even stronger foundation for the debt and private funds issues that we expect to follow shortly. We have not issued any equity into the public market since 2010 and we continually review our capital structure in light of our desire to support the growth of the business to capture the opportunities before us. It remains important to us that we both optimise our capital structure and retain a conservative balance sheet. We remain excited about the opportunities we see to deploy capital in legal finance to continue to develop our business."

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The information contained within this Announcement is deemed by the Company to constitute inside information as stipulated under the Market Abuse Regulation (EU) No.596/2014. By the publication of this Announcement via a Regulatory Information Service, this inside information is now considered to be in the public domain. The person responsible for arranging for the release of this Announcement on behalf of the Company is Elizabeth O'Connell.

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The Placing Shares to be issued pursuant to the Placing will not be admitted to trading on any stock exchange other than the AIM market operated by the London Stock Exchange plc. The date of Admission may be influenced by things such as market conditions. There is no guarantee that Admission will occur and you should not base your financial decisions on the Company’s intentions in relation to Admission at this stage. Acquiring investments to which this Announcement relates may expose an investor to a significant risk of losing all of the amount invested. Persons considering making such investments should consult an authorised person specialising in advising on such investments. This Announcement does not constitute a recommendation concerning the Placing. The value of shares can decrease as well as increase. Potential investors should consult a professional advisor as to the suitability of the Placing for the person concerned.

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For the avoidance of doubt, the Target Market Assessment does not constitute: (a) an assessment of suitability or appropriateness for the purposes of MiFID II; or (b) a recommendation to any investor or group of investors to invest in, or purchase, or take any other action whatsoever with respect to the Placing Shares.

Each distributor is responsible for undertaking its own target market assessment in respect of the Placing Shares and determining appropriate distribution channels.