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NICHOLAS HALL TO RETURN TO PRIVATE TRADING IN THE OLD MASTER FIELD

New York - After 12 years with Christie's, **Nicholas Hall**, International Head, Old Master and 19th Century Paintings, is leaving to return to private trading in the Old Master field.

Nick joined Christie's New York in May 2004 following the acquisition of Hall & Knight Limited, the gallery he opened in 1996 with Richard Knight, a colleague from P & D Colnaghi Gallery. During his time at Christie's, Nicholas Hall made a significant contribution to the Old Master Paintings department. He was involved with the move of the important Old Master New York sale to April and the development of innovative cross category theme sales Renaissance and Revolution. His previous activity as a dealer helped his involvement in the sale of the Duccio Madonna to the Metropolitan Museum, among a number of high level private sales.

Karl Hermanns, Global Managing Director, will continue to have overall management responsibility for the Old Master teams while **Francois de Poortere** leads the Old Master team in Americas and **Henry Pettifer** continues to lead the Old Master team in London working with the highly experienced and established specialists and deputy chairmen globally.