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Cadwalader Attorneys Named Among Top 500 in America by Lawdragon

New York, NY, November 15, 2006, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, one of the world's leading international law firms, announced that Raymond Banoun, head of the firm's Business Fraud practice; Louis J. Bevilacqua, Chairman of the firm's Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions Department; Dennis J. Block, a senior partner in the Corporate/Mergers & Acquisitions Department; Bruce A. Hiler, the Co-Chair of the Regulation, Enforcement and Equity Derivatives Department; Gregory A. Markel, the Chairman of the firm's Litigation Department; and Bruce R. Zirinsky, the Chairman of the Financial Restructuring Department, were named by Lawdragon to the publication's Lawdragon 500 Leading Lawyers in America.

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