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Cadwalader Earns Top Marks in 2017 Corporate Equality Index

New York, NY, December 5, 2016, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, a leading law firm to global financial institutions and corporations, announced that it received a perfect score of 100 percent on the 2017 Corporate Equality Index (CEI), a national benchmarking survey and report on corporate policies and practices related to LGBT workplace equality, administered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation (HRC). Cadwalader joins the ranks of 517 major US businesses have also earned top marks this year.

“We are honored to be sharing this distinction for our commitment to equality with some of the nation’s top businesses,” said Aisha Greene, Director of Attorney Development and Training. “Cadwalader is committed to a truly inclusive work environment - one with a richness of backgrounds and perspectives – because it makes for a better, more rewarding place to work.”

The 2017 CEI rated 1,043 businesses in the report, which evaluates LGBT-related policies and practices including non-discrimination workplace protections, domestic partner benefits, transgender-inclusive health care benefits, competency programs, and public engagement with the LGBT community. Cadwalader’s efforts in satisfying all of the CEI’s criteria resulted in a 100 percent ranking and the designation as a Best Place to Work for LGBT Equality.

Cadwalader has received a number of awards for its dedication to workplace inclusion. Most recently, the firm received the Diversity Law Firm of the Year award from ACQ5, a London-based M&A magazine news site. and was selected to the New York Law Journal “Diversity Initiative 2015,” which recognizes law firms and legal organizations for their commitment to creating a diverse legal community.

The HRC is America’s largest civil rights organization working to achieve lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender equality. By inspiring and engaging all Americans, HRC strives to end

discrimination against LGBT citizens and realize a nation that achieves fundamental fairness and equality for all.

For more information on the 2017 Corporate Equality Index, or to download a free copy of the report, visit www.hrc.org/cei.

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