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# NewsRelease

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## Cadwalader Elects Nine New Partners and Promotes Five New Special Counsel and Counsel

*Promotions Include Attorneys across Practice Areas and Geographies*

New York, NY, December 13, 2017 -- Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, a leading advisor to global financial institutions and corporations, today announced that attorneys Tim Hicks, Kahn D. Hobbs, Jacqueline Ingram, Braden McCurrach, Claire Suzanne Puddicombe, Greg Prindle, Matthew Robertson, Jason Schwartz and Nathan Spanheimer have been elected to the firm's partnership, effective January 1, 2018.

"These are outstanding lawyers with an unwavering commitment to client service and demonstrated excellence," said Pat Quinn, Cadwalader's Managing Partner. "This nine-member partner class comes on the heels of last year's promotion of ten partners, which was our largest incoming class since 1993. With 225 years of remarkable history, we continue to grow the firm with exceptionally talented partners and envision considerable growth and success in the years to come."

In addition, the firm promoted four attorneys – Christopher Dickson, Adam Magid, Nicole Stephansen and Danielle Vincenti Tully – to special counsel and one attorney – Gary Schuler – to counsel.

The firm's new partners are as follows:

**Tim Hicks**, Finance, Charlotte – Tim's practice focuses on fund finance, and he has significant experience negotiating and documenting subscription credit facilities made to multijurisdictional fund vehicles, including private equity, real estate, REIT, infrastructure and debt funds. He routinely serves as counsel to lenders and lead agents on bilateral and syndicated credit facilities with complex fund collateral structures, including subscription-secured credit facilities, net asset value secured credit facilities and management fee secured credit facilities. Tim's experience also encompasses working with fund-related borrowers on the negotiation of third-party investor documents with institutional, high net worth and sovereign wealth investors. He received his B.S. from Birmingham-Southern College, his M.S. in tax accounting from the University of Alabama and his J.D. from Samford University.

**Kahn D. Hobbs**, Capital Markets, Charlotte – Kahn concentrates his practice on structured finance, primarily focusing on commercial mortgage-backed securitization transactions and re-securitization transactions, as well as advising lenders and servicers in connection with the workout and restructuring of securitized and other financial assets. He has broad experience representing issuers, underwriters, mortgage loan sellers and servicers in various types of public and private securitizations. Kahn also has experience in work-outs of non-performing commercial mortgage loans in CMBS transactions and in other distressed asset sales. He received his B.S. from Colorado State University, his M.B.A. in International Business and Finance from the Moore School of Business at the University of South Carolina and his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the South Carolina School of Law.

**Jacqueline Ingram**, Financial Restructuring, London – Jacquie focuses on debt restructuring and special situations financing. She has extensive experience of acting on complex cross-border restructurings, involving a wide range of insolvency and reorganization processes. Her practice also encompasses direct lending and “special situations” financing. She has worked with a diverse range of clients, including distressed investors, banks, corporates and creditor and noteholder committees. Jacquie graduated from Nottingham University with a first class BA and studied for the Graduate Diploma in Law and Legal Practice Course at Nottingham Law School.

**Braden McCurrach**, Corporate, New York – Braden’s practice involves counseling clients in a broad range of complex transactional matters, including public and private mergers, acquisitions, divestitures, proxy contests, tender offers, spinoffs and joint ventures. Braden’s practice also includes the representation of investment banks in their capacity as financial advisors on M&A and other transactions. In addition to his transactional experience, Braden advises clients in a wide array of governance, securities and other commercial matters, including directors’ duties and responsibilities, board composition, disclosure issues and compliance. He received his A.B. from Duke University and his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School.

**Claire Suzanne Puddicombe**, Capital Markets, London – Claire’s practice focuses on CLO and financing transactions. Claire represents arrangers, collateral managers, warehouse finance and retention financing providers in connection with a variety of European CLO 2.0 transactions and warehouse facilities. She also represents borrowers and lenders in a variety of asset-backed lending facilities. Claire has been active in the evolving securitization regulatory environment, advising clients on both EU and U.S. risk retention. Admitted to practice in England and Wales, Claire graduated from the University of Exeter with an undergraduate degree in European law and from

the Université de Rennes I in 2002 with a *maitrise en droit mention droit communautaire* (masters in European community law).

**Greg Prindle**, Capital Markets, New York – Greg focuses primarily on representing investment banks and other financial institutions in the area of structured finance. He also focuses on federal securities law issues relevant to commercial mortgage-backed securitizations and advises on related securities compliance matters. Greg has significant experience representing issuers/depositors, underwriters/initial purchasers and originators/loan sellers in public and private offerings of commercial mortgage-backed securities utilizing various structures, including conduit, stand-alone and floating rate transactions. In addition, he has experience representing clients in servicing arrangements and the purchase and sale of mortgage loans, mezzanine debt and subordinate debt. Greg received his B.A. from Fordham University and his J.D. from Fordham University School of Law.

**Matthew Robertson**, Finance, Charlotte – Matt's practice is concentrated in the area of real estate finance, representing national, international and regional financial institutions, investment banks and investors in connection with the financing of a wide range of commercial properties, including commercial office buildings, hotels, shopping centers and multifamily housing. Matt's experience includes originations of complex loans including multistate, multiproperty mortgage loans and large, sophisticated financings involving multiple lenders and various levels of mortgage and mezzanine debt, and workouts, foreclosures and servicing of such loans. In addition, Matt has extensive experience in the drafting and negotiation of intercreditor arrangements and the syndication or sale of participations and whole mortgage and mezzanine loans. He received his B.A., with honors, from the University of Delaware and his J.D. from Duke University School of Law.

**Jason Schwartz**, Tax, Washington, DC – Jason's practice focuses on tax issues relating to collateralized loan obligations and other securitizations, hedge funds and private equity funds, structured notes and other derivatives, lending transactions and other financings, and corporate acquisitions. In addition, he advises European clients on Foreign Account Tax Compliance Act (FATCA) issues. Jason received his B.A., *cum laude*, from New York University, his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from American University Washington College of Law, where he was inducted into the Order of the Coif, and his LL.M. in Taxation from New York University School of Law.

**Nathan Spanheimer**, Capital Markets, Charlotte – Nate represents investment banks and other institutional lenders and underwriters in secured commercial lending transactions (both syndicated and bilateral) and CLOs. Nate also has represented both

borrowers and lenders in leveraged finance credit facilities, bankruptcy exit facilities and hedge fund financings. He received his B.S. in Economics from Duke University and his J.D., *with distinction*, from The University of Iowa College of Law.

The following attorneys have been promoted to Special Counsel:

**Christopher Dickson**, Finance, Charlotte – Chris’s practice focuses on the origination of large, complex real estate loans secured by all asset classes. He is experienced in originating balance sheet loans and loans intended for widespread syndication, selling mortgage and mezzanine loans and handling servicing matters related to clients’ balance sheet loans as well as syndicated loans on behalf of clients as administrative agent. Chris graduated *magna cum laude* from the Honors College at the University of South Carolina and received his J.D. from New York University School of Law.

**Adam Magid**, Litigation, New York – Adam’s practice focuses on the representation of financial institutions, institutional investors, hedge funds, public and private corporations, and directors and officers in connection with a wide range of litigation matters, including complex commercial and securities litigation arising out of corporate transactions and corporate control contests. Adam has played a leading role in class action, antitrust, bankruptcy and corporate governance disputes, including on both sides of activist shareholder campaigns and in high-stakes merger litigation in Delaware. He also has led teams in connection with numerous investigations of large financial institutions. Adam received his B.A. from Stanford University and his J.D. from Stanford Law School.

**Nicole Stephansen**, Financial Restructuring, London – Nicole focuses her practice on debt restructuring and reorganization, including contingency planning, insolvency and options analysis and “special situations” financings. She has worked on both debtor- and creditor-side in key foreign jurisdictions and the United States, including a broad background in U.S. Chapter 11, and represents a diverse range of clients, including hedge funds, distressed investors and bondholders. Nicole received a B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Miami University and a J.D., *magna cum laude*, from American University Washington College of Law.

**Danielle Vincenti Tully**, Litigation, New York – Danielle handles complex patent litigations for clients in a wide range of technology areas, including pharmaceutical, medical device, computer hardware and software, digital television and telecommunications. She also has experience handling copyright and trademark litigations as well as licensing, client counseling, legal opinions and patent prosecution.

Danielle earned her B.S., *summa cum laude*, from Boston College and her J.D. from Boston College School of Law.

The following attorney has been promoted to Counsel:

**Gary Schuler**, Capital Markets, Charlotte – Gary advises clients in the area of structured finance, with an emphasis on mortgage-backed securitization transactions, representing issuers and underwriters in securitizations involving residential mortgage loans. He also represents a government-sponsored enterprise in its credit risk transfer transactions. Gary received his B.B.A. from the University of Michigan and his J.D. from Rutgers University School of Law - Newark.

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