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# Cadwalader Recognized with Two Awards at The 7<sup>th</sup> Annual Americas M&A Atlas Awards

New York, NY, November 4, 2015 – Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, a leading counselor to global financial institutions and corporations, received multiple honors during the 7<sup>th</sup> annual Americas M&A Atlas Awards Gala, including "Transportation & Logistics Deal of the Year" and "USA M&A Deal of the Year – Large Markets."

Cadwalader was recognized for "Transportation & Logistics Deal of the Year" for counseling the Pasha Group, a family-owned global logistics and transportation company, on its agreement to acquire the Hawaii trade-lane business of Horizon Lines, Inc., a Jones Act container shipping and integrated logistics company, for approximately \$141.5 million. The Cadwalader team was led by Corporate partners Louis Bevilacqua and William Mills, and included partners Linda Swartz (Tax), Richard Nugent (Tax), Charles (Rick) Rule (Antitrust); special counsel Daniel Howley (Antitrust); and associate Braden McCurrach (Corporate).

The firm also received the "USA M&A Deal of the Year – Large Markets" award for advising Acorda Therapeutics, Inc., a leading biotechnology company, on its execution of a merger agreement to acquire Civitas Therapeutics, Inc., a privately-held biopharmaceutical company, for \$525 million in an all-cash transaction. The Cadwalader team was led by Corporate chair Christopher Cox, and included partners Ira Schacter (Corporate), Greg Patti (Corporate), Linda Swartz (Tax), Dorothy Auth (IP) and Andrew Forman (Antitrust); and special counsel Joshua Apfelroth (Corporate).

Presented by the Global M&A Network, the awards honor the best value-generating deals, star dealmaker teams and outstanding firms from the North and South American mergers and acquisitions communities. This year's awards gala took place at the Harvard Club in New York City.

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