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Cadwalader Practices Recognized as Top Tier by *U.S. News* and *Best Lawyers*

Named *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Law Firm of the Year” in Derivatives and Futures Law

New York, NY, November 1, 2012, Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, one of the world’s leading legal advisors to financial institutions and corporations, was recognized by *U.S. News* and *Best Lawyers In America* “Best Law Firms” as having leading practices in a wide range of areas, both nationally and in each U.S. metropolitan area where the firm has offices.

For the second consecutive year, Cadwalader was named the *U.S. News – Best Lawyers* “Law Firm of the Year” in Derivatives and Futures Law. Only one law firm in each of the nationally ranked legal practice areas receives this recognition, making this award a particularly significant achievement.

Cadwalader earned National First-Tier Rankings in:

- Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights /Insolvency and Reorganization Law
- Corporate Law
- Derivatives and Futures Law
- Equipment Finance Law
- Litigation - Antitrust
- Litigation – Bankruptcy
- Litigation – Mergers & Acquisitions
- Litigation - Real Estate
- Litigation - Securities
- Patent Law
- Real Estate Law
- Securities Regulation
- Securitization and Structured Finance Law
- Tax Law

The firm was also nationally recognized in the areas of Antitrust Law, Banking and Finance Law, Commercial Litigation, Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law, Energy Law, Health Care Law, Litigation- Intellectual Property, Litigation- Patent, Private Equity Law, and Trusts & Estates Law.

Cadwalader earned Metropolitan First-Tier Rankings in:

Charlotte: Derivatives and Futures Law and Securitization and Structured Finance Law

Houston: Banking and Finance Law; Corporate Law; and Energy Law

New York: Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Commercial Litigation; Corporate Law; Derivatives and Futures Law; Employee Benefits (ERISA) Law; Equipment Finance Law; Health Care Law; Litigation – Antitrust; Litigation – Bankruptcy; Litigation - Eminent Domain & Condemnation; Litigation – Intellectual Property; Litigation – Mergers & Acquisitions; Litigation – Patent; Litigation - Real Estate; Litigation – Securities; Patent Law; Real Estate Law; Securities Regulation; Securitization and Structured Finance Law; and Tax Law

Washington: Antitrust Law; Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights / Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Corporate Compliance Law; Derivatives and Futures Law; Litigation – Antitrust; and Litigation – Bankruptcy.

U.S. News Media Group and Best Lawyers partner annually to present these annual Best Law Firm rankings. The rankings are based on a rigorous evaluation process that included thousands of clients, highly skilled lawyers and law firm representatives.

In separate *Best Lawyers in America* rankings released earlier this year, 45 Cadwalader lawyers were selected by their peers for individual recognition and four of the firm's attorneys were named "Lawyers of the Year," a recognition given to only a single lawyer in a practice area and metropolitan area, making the accolade particularly significant. In Charlotte, NC, Stuart Goldstein was named Lawyer of the Year in the area of Securitization and Structured Finance Law and Scott Cammarn was named Lawyer of the Year in the area of Banking and Finance Law. In New York, NY, Gregory Markel was named Lawyer of the Year in the area of Litigation - Mergers & Acquisitions, and in Washington, DC, Gregory Mocek was named Lawyer of the Year in the area of Derivatives and Futures Law.

About Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP

Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, established in 1792, is one of the world's most prominent law firms, with offices in New York, London, Charlotte, Washington, Houston, Beijing, Hong Kong and Brussels. Cadwalader serves a diverse client base, including many of the world's top financial institutions and corporations, undertaking business in more than 50 countries. The firm offers legal expertise in antitrust, banking, business fraud, corporate finance, corporate governance, energy, environmental, financial restructuring, health care, intellectual property, litigation, mergers and acquisitions, private equity, private wealth, real estate, regulation, securitization, structured finance, and tax. More information about Cadwalader can be found at www.cadwalader.com.

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