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Cadwalader's Ray Shirazi and Louisa Watt Named to BTI's Client Services 2015 All-Star Team

Partners in the Firm's New York and London Offices Noted for Their Superior Client Service in Annual Survey of Corporate Counsel

New York, February 19, 2015—Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, a leading counselor to global financial institutions and corporations, announced that partners Ray Shirazi in New York and Louisa Watt in London have been chosen as members of the BTI Client Services All-Star team.

The BTI Consulting Group conducts independent research on how companies choose, manage and evaluate their professional service providers. BTI has interviewed more than 13,000 purchasers in the development of its benchmarks for hiring decisions and client relationship development. The All-Star lawyers have earned the “recognition from leading General Counsel and legal decision makers for outperforming all other attorneys” and “for delivering the absolute best levels of client service.”

Ray Shirazi is a partner in Cadwalader's Derivatives & Structured Products Group. His practice covers a wide spectrum of equity, hedge fund, currency, commodity and fixed income derivatives. He is particularly noted for his work in equity derivatives, involving traded securities, hedge funds, and other financial products.

“This is a well-deserved recognition for Ray,” said Richard Schetman, co-chair of the Financial Services Group. “His technical knowledge, insight and responsiveness are hallmarks of exceptional client service.”

A partner in the Financial Restructuring Group, Louisa Watt is head of the firm's Debt and Claims Trading Practice. Watt advises on distressed loan portfolio transactions, and is recognized as a leading authority on secondary loan trading in distressed situations. She also has extensive experience in the creation of bespoke documentation for complex cross-border trading transactions. Watt is one of only two financial restructuring attorneys named to the BTI All-Star team.

“This award acknowledges what we and Louisa's clients have known for some time,” said Greg Petrick, co-chair of Cadwalader's Financial Restructuring Group and managing partner of the London office. “Louisa's commitment to her clients to deliver quality advice in a timely and efficient manner has earned her the trust and confidence she deserves. She really stands out and we are very pleased with this recognition.”

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