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## Cadwalader Named *Legal 500* 2015 UK Firm of the Year for Finance (Securitisation)

**Prestigious award recognises innovation, expertise and depth of securitisation practice**

**London, 13 November 2015**—Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, a leading law firm to global financial institutions and corporations, has been awarded the distinction of 2015 UK Firm of the Year for Finance (Securitisation) by *The Legal 500*, a prominent guide to the legal profession.

The award was based on substantial independent market feedback *The Legal 500*'s research team received while preparing the 2015 UK edition of *The Legal 500*. The research team, over many months, conducts thousands of interviews with law firms and in-house counsel in the UK to pinpoint the most capable, expert firms across a number of different areas.

According to *The Legal 500*, while some firms are only now reinvesting after the financial crisis, “Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP has been ahead of the curve in building out its London presence with established names in the market. It continued this trend last year to round out a diverse and dynamic team of partners that is rapidly growing the firm’s presence in the securitisation space.”

“We are deeply honoured to receive this prestigious industry award that reflects the views of our clients and peer firms, and independently recognises Cadwalader’s European securitisation practice,” said Stuart Goldstein, Partner and Co-Chair of the Capital Markets practice with Michael Gambro. “This award is a result of huge teamwork—across our firm, and in partnership with our clients—and we look forward to continuing to best serve them by staying ahead of industry changes to provide outstanding business and legal counsel.”

Cadwalader is the industry leader in providing legal counsel for securitisations across multiple asset classes, globally. Over the last three years, Cadwalader’s Capital Markets practice has expanded its talent and client base in London. The firm regularly acts for

securitisation and structured finance desks at major international financial institutions as well as for private equity funds, alternative finance platforms, collateral managers and corporates. Cadwalader has been involved in an array of market-defining transactions over the last year, brought new asset classes to market, opened new markets in Europe—particularly in the alternative finance space—and participated in the regulatory dialogue in the marketplace and on behalf of clients.

“Our long-term investments in London have allowed us to even better serve our global clients with market-leading practices,” said Greg Petrick, co-chair of Cadwalader’s Financial Restructuring Group and managing partner of the London office. “I am very proud of the hard work and excellent counsel displayed by our attorneys.”

Overall, Cadwalader was recognised in the 2015 UK Edition of *The Legal 500* for excellence in the practice areas of Corporate Restructuring and Insolvency, Corporate Tax, Derivatives and Structured Products, and Securitisation. Partners determined to be “Leading Individuals” by *The Legal 500* are Bruce Bloomingdale, Stephen Day, David Quirolo and Jeremiah Wagner in Securitisation, and Yushan Ng in Corporate Restructuring and Insolvency.

Additionally, the following lawyers were recognised by *The Legal 500* for their expertise in the UK: Karen McMaster, Holly Neavill and Richard Nevins for Corporate Restructuring and Insolvency; Angus Duncan, Nick Shiren and “rising stars” Robert Cannon and Claire Puddicombe for Derivatives and Structured Products; and Duncan and Shiren again for Securitisation.

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