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Richard Brand Receives Award from Millstein Center at Columbia Law School

New York, NY, December 7, 2016 - Richard M. Brand, a partner and co-chairman of the Corporate Group at Cadwalader, Wickersham & Taft LLP, has been named as one of the recipients of the Rising Stars of Corporate Governance Awards by the Millstein Center for Global Markets and Corporate Ownership at Columbia Law School. Brand received his award at the annual Millstein Governance Forum earlier today.

This award recognizes corporate governance professionals who are making their marks as outstanding analysts, experts, activists, or managers. Recipients may represent any of the many bodies that comprise the world of corporate governance: corporations, academic bodies, institutional investors, auditors, advisory firms, rating agencies, proxy services, professional associations, and others.

A selection committee assesses candidates on criteria including past accomplishments, thought leadership, future projects and potential, and leadership and character.

"It is a great honor to receive this award from the Millstein Center for Global Markets and Corporate Ownership," Brand said. "I greatly appreciate the Millstein Center's acknowledgement of my corporate governance work on behalf of my clients and also want to thank my partners at Cadwalader for supporting me as we continue to grow our corporate governance practice."

Brand, the only law firm recipient this year, is widely recognized as a leading advisor to public companies, hedge funds, private equity firms and investment banks. His experience includes mergers and acquisitions, takeover preparedness and defense, shareholder activism and defense, general corporate advisory work and securities offerings. Described by *The American Lawyer* as "a takeover and defense specialist" who is "no stranger to billion-dollar deals," Brand was named a New York "Rising Star" by *Super Lawyers* magazine each year from 2011 to 2016 for his corporate practice. He is a member of the advisory board of The Harvard Law School's Program on Corporate Governance. He holds a B.A. from Princeton University and received his J.D., *cum laude*, from New York University, where he served on the *New York University Journal of International Law and Politics*.

Other award recipients included: Cambria Allen, Corporate Governance Director, UAW Retiree Medical Benefits Trust; Serdar Celik, Senior Economist, OECD; Aurelio Gurrea Martinez, Fellow of

the Program of Corporate Governance, Harvard Law School; and Miguel Padro, Senior Program Manager, Aspen Institute's Business & Society Program.

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