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Brown Rudnick Attorneys Receive Top Ratings from Chambers & Partners US in Bankruptcy/Restructuring, Corporate, Finance, and Real Estate Law

Boston, MA, June 14, 2010 – Brown Rudnick, an international law firm, today announced that Chambers & Partners has recognized a number of its US attorneys as among the nation's leading practitioners in the areas of Bankruptcy/Restructuring, Corporate, Finance, and Real Estate law. The results are published in the 2010-2011 edition of *Chambers & Partners' US Guide to America's Leading Business Lawyers*.

Brown Rudnick partners across the firm's offices in Massachusetts, New York and Connecticut received high rankings for demonstrating exemplary professional qualities, such as technical legal prowess, professional conduct, client service, market awareness, diligence and commitment. The Chambers-ranked Brown Rudnick attorneys are:

In Massachusetts:

- **William R. Baldiga** (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)
- **Edward S. Hershfield** (Real Estate)
- **Thomas J. Philips** (Real Estate)
- **Andrew P. Strehle** (Banking & Finance)
- **Samuel P. Williams** (Corporate)

According to Chambers' sources, Brown Rudnick's Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring Group is "*A tough team of lawyers who are very good at what they do.*" **William Baldiga** is distinguished for his low-key approach that is "*very effective*" in reorganization proceedings. He represents official and ad hoc equity and creditor committees, strategic investors and businesses. In Brown Rudnick's Finance Group, **Andy Strehle** is noted for his focus on structuring and recovery work and is viewed as "*a smart and articulate lawyer who adopts a balanced approach.*" Corporate Partner **Samuel Williams** is highlighted for his lead role in several significant transactions in the last couple of years. Real Estate Partner **Edward Hershfield** is well-regarded for the quality of his work handling acquisitions, workouts, development construction contracts, financings and dispositions. Colleague **Thomas Philips** is recognized as "a very highly thought of lawyer with an enviably good practice." He deals with acquisitions, sales, developments and leases and has a particular focus on retail properties.



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In New York:

- **Robert Stark** (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)
- **Edward S. Weisfelner** (Bankruptcy/Restructuring)

Chambers' sources have this to say about Brown Rudnick's Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring Group: *"The smart, aggressive and creative attorneys in this team are excellent at dealing with difficult situations and securing positive outcomes."*

Edward Weisfelner is recognized for the significance of his workload and well known among peers as *"a smart and tough attorney who does a phenomenal job for his clients."* Corporate restructuring specialist **Robert Stark** continues to raise his profile in the market, and has been involved in an impressive number of cases recently.

In Connecticut:

- **Douglas A. Cohen** (Environmental)
- **Franca L. DeRosa** (Real Estate)

Chambers published this comment about Brown Rudnick's Environmental and Real Estate Practices: *"The group has a strong presence in the remediation area."* **Franca DeRosa** enjoys a great reputation for *"knowing her way around brownfields law."* **Douglas Cohen** is noted for his experience with the EPA and the DOJ. He has particular expertise in the areas of utility and environmental litigation.

The Chambers rankings are based on comprehensive research conducted by Chambers & Partners Legal Publishers, a highly respected British research firm that publishes directories that rank leading lawyers based upon their reputation among peers and clients. Chambers' listings are based solely on outside evaluations of merit.

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