

Partners Notes

King & Spalding Substantially Grows International Arbitration Practice

King & Spalding recently announced that Eric A. Schwartz, one of the top international arbitration lawyers in the world, and his colleague James Castello, a prominent international arbitration practitioner, have joined the firm. Mr. Schwartz, who served as secretary general of the International Court of Arbitration of the International Chamber of Commerce (ICC), and Mr. Castello will join King & Spalding from the Paris office of Dewey & LeBoeuf, where Mr. Schwartz was managing partner and co-head of its global arbitration practice. King & Spalding is submitting an application to the Paris Bar Council in order to open an office in Paris.

Mr. Schwartz, who has practiced in Paris for 30 years, focuses his practice on international commercial arbitration, with particular expertise in large, complex disputes in the areas of civil engineering and construction, oil and gas, and information technology and telecommunications. He also has a substantial investment treaty arbitration practice and handles a number of treaty-based arbitrations on behalf of investors and states.

Mr. Castello has been recognized in Chambers Global 2009 as "a name worth watching" in the international arbitration field. For several years he has been a member of the United States delegation to the international arbitration working group of UNCITRAL, and in 2007 he was appointed to the LCIA Court. He has practiced international arbitration in both Vienna and Paris since 2001.

London-based King & Spalding arbitration partner Kenneth R. Fleuriot, who has extensive experience handling both investment treaty and commercial arbitrations, will join Messrs Schwartz and Castello in Paris once the King & Spalding office has been approved.

New Jersey Women Lawyers Association Honors Sills Cummis & Gross Partner

Sills Cummis & Gross has announced that Lynne Anne Anderson, a member and vice chair of the firm's Employment and Labor Practice Group, received the law firm sector award at the New Jersey Women Lawyers' Association's (NJWLA) Second Annual Women's Initiative and Leaders in Law (WILL) Platinum Gala on April 2, 2009. This award recognizes Ms. Anderson's exceptional achievements with respect to her sustained contributions to gender equity challenges and other issues unique to women in the legal profession.

Ms. Anderson currently serves on the Executive Committee and Board of Trustees of the NJWLA, acting as co-director of Public Policy and also sitting on the Endorsements and Appointments Committee. She was also a part of the National Association of Women Lawyers Planning Committee for the 2009 "National Night of Giving." To

Jeffrey M. Stein, a partner in King & Spalding's corporate practice in Atlanta, has been named a winner of the 2009 Burton Awards for Legal Achievement. Mr. Stein was among 30 partners selected by the awards committee from among the largest 1,000 law firms in the nation.

Mr. Stein was chosen for his article "The Changing Role of the Lead Director" that appeared in the November/December 2008 edition of *Corporate Governance Advisor*.

He will be honored at an awards ceremony at the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., on June 15. The guest speaker at the event will be U.S. Supreme Court Associate Justice Antonin Scalia.

The Burton Awards, now in their 10th year, were established by William C. Burton to promote and reward the refinement and enrichment of good legal writing.

Pro bono partner Bill Hoffmann and associate John Sheesley earned a significant victory in the U.S. Department of Justice's Immigration Court in Atlanta on March 20 in a high-profile deportation case involving the grandson of former Liberian President William Tubman.

The client, 27-year-old Al Glay, was been a resident of the United States since he was five, when he and his mother left Liberia at the outbreak of civil war.

Hoffmann and Sheesley contested Glay's deportation on the grounds that he was likely to be harmed or even killed if he returned to Liberia, as Mr. Glay's father had been senior aide-de-camp to the country's former dictator, Samuel Doe, who had been assassinated. The immigration judge granted Mr. Glay withholding of removal.

assist her colleagues within the firm, Ms. Anderson is co-chair of the Sills Cummis & Gross Women's Group. She is a member of the American Employment Law Council and has been chosen to become a fellow in Litigation Counsel of America, a Trial Lawyer Honorary Society.

Sills Cummis & Gross is pleased to announce that Brian Biglin, a first-year student at Rutgers School of Law in Newark, NJ, has been selected as the Firm's 2009 Charles J. Walsh scholar. In 2006, Sills Cummis & Gross established the Scholar Fund on behalf of the family, friends and colleagues of the late Judge Charles J. Walsh who, prior to his appointment to the Superior Court of New Jersey, Bergen County, was a valued Member of the Firm for 17 years. Judge Walsh was also an adjunct professor at the law school.

Weil Gotshal Wins 2009 IFLR Law Firm Of The Year Award

Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP received four awards from the International Financial Law Review (IFLR) at the organization's annual awards dinner recently held at the Waldorf-Astoria in New York. Weil Gotshal's four IFLR awards was the most by any single law firm this year and the most ever achieved by Weil Gotshal in any single year. Along with the four top honors, the firm was short-listed for eight awards in total, again topping all other law firms. In addition to the four IFLR America awards, the IFLR Asia Awards recently recognized the firm for the Asia Restructuring Deal of the Year for the firm's work on the Nomura/Lehman Brothers restructuring.

Weil Gotshal's 2009 IFLR awards include: Exclusive Americas Law Firm of the Year, for the full complement of the firm's work in North and South America during 2008. This included headline-grabbing bankruptcy filings, such as those of Lehman Brothers and Washington Mutual, as well as unprecedented restructurings, such as the firm's multi-practice approach to AIG's global divestiture and restructuring program.

M&A Deal of the Year, for the firm's handling of Lehman Brothers Holdings'

divestiture of its U.S. investment banking business for \$1.75 billion to Barclays, saving thousands of jobs in the process. The Weil Gotshal team on the transactions included partners Thomas Roberts, Michael Lubowitz, Stephen Dannhauser, Harvey Miller, and Lori Fife.

Exclusive M&A Team of the Year Award for the firm's work on the aforementioned Lehman Brothers transaction. The award-winning team is the same as listed above.

Private Equity Deal of the Year, for the firm's work on Advent International's acquisition of Dominican airports manager Aeropuertos Dominicanos Siglo. The Weil Gotshal team on the transaction included partners Kevin Sullivan, David Bower, Kelly Dybala, and Helyn Goldstein.

Joseph Smolinsky has joined the Business Finance & Restructuring Practice of Weil Gotshal & Manges in the New York Office. Mr. Smolinsky has over 20 years of experience in bankruptcy law advising corporations, borrowers, lenders, investors and creditors in Chapter 11 restructuring cases and out-of-court workouts.

Jones Day Shanghai/Beijing Launches Its International Legal Fellowship 2009

Jones Day has announced the commencement of its Jones Day International Legal Fellowship, for the 2008-2009 academic year. This marks the ninth consecutive year that Jones Day will award grants to students to encourage the study of law in China.

The 2009 fellowship awards will be given to law students from selected universities in China. Each winner will receive RMB15,000. Jones Day grants these fellowships in the hope that each recipient will use the monies to support his education and experience in whichever legal area he chooses to pursue.

The Jones Day International Legal Fellowship was born out of the firm's dedication to legal development in China. Since 2001, Jones Day has awarded 65 fellowships to legal students in Shanghai from nine different Shanghai universities and has awarded 30 fellowships to legal students in Beijing. The competition is open to all graduate students attending selected universities in China and to undergraduate students in their third year and above attending selected universities in China.

Applicants can download the application form from the firm website, www.jonesday.com.

Akio Yamada, former commissioner

and secretary-general of the Japan Fair Trade Commission, has joined Jones Day's Tokyo Office as a senior advisor in the Antitrust & Competition Law Practice.

Between 1967 and 2008, Mr. Yamada held a number of key positions at the Japan Fair Trade Commission, notably as secretary-general from 2000 to 2003 and as a commissioner from 2003 to 2008. He also was an adjunct instructor at the Chuo University Graduate School of Law and an affiliated professor at the Kyoto University Graduate School of Law. In addition to his role at Jones Day, Mr. Yamada recently assumed the position of affiliated professor at Doshisha University Faculty of Law and its Graduate School of Law, and at Waseda School of Commerce.

Three of Jones Day's partners have been named to the *Daily Journal's* 2009 list of Top 25 intellectual property portfolio managers in California. Anthony Inosigna, partner-in-charge of Jones Day's San Diego Office, Dale Rieger, Ph.D., partner in the San Diego Office, and Rahul Pathak, Ph.D., partner in the Silicon Valley Office, were all named to the elite annual list of the most highly regarded lawyers in the state who advise clients in the management of their IP portfolios or patent prosecutions.

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