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Twenty Andrews Kurth Lawyers Recognized In 2006 Chambers USA Rankings

HOUSTON – A total of 20 Andrews Kurth lawyers achieved recognition this year in the Chambers & Partners 2006 USA Rankings, an increase of 15% over last year. With nine ranked practice areas in 2006, the firm matched its total from 2005.

The Andrews Kurth rankings within the Chambers USA guide can be viewed at http://www.chambersandpartners.com/us/default.asp?action=rf&rf=fprofile2_2&fid=2852

“We’re proud of our partners and those practice areas listed in the Chambers USA Guide Rankings,” said Managing Partner Howard Ayers. “We are committed to consistently improving in the area of client satisfaction, and the rankings show that we are on the right track.”

Among the 20 lawyers listed, Tim Unger was nationally recognized by Chambers for his Project Finance work, and three partners received a number-one ranking in their fields: Bob Jewell and Mike O’Leary for Corporate/M&A and John Lee for Bankruptcy. Jason Brookner and Matt Lyons were named “Up and Coming.” Jason Brookner was recognized for his experience in the Bankruptcy market. Matt Lyons was recognized for his work in Technology: Corporate & Commercial.

The ranked practice areas are as follows:

Texas

- Antitrust
- Banking & Finance
- Bankruptcy/Restructuring
- Corporate/M&A
- Energy & Natural Resources
- Projects
- Real Estate
- Technology & IT Outsourcing

District of Columbia

- Energy: Oil & Gas

About the Chambers & Partners USA rankings:

The Chambers & Partners USA Guide is designed to reflect market opinion. According to Chambers, entry in its guide is based solely on market research and over 10,000 interviews conducted with in-house counsel across the country. Chambers researchers spend a year gathering information in order to present a consistent market view of which firms and attorneys are leaders in their fields.

Law firms and individual attorneys are ranked on a scale of one to six. The qualities on which rankings are assessed include: technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, commercial awareness, commitment and other qualities most valued by those interviewed.

About Andrews Kurth:

For more than a century, Andrews Kurth LLP has built its practice on the belief that “straight talk is good business.” Real answers, clear vision and mutual respect define the firm’s relationships with clients, colleagues, communities and employees. With more than 400 lawyers and offices in Austin, Beijing, Dallas, Houston, London, Los Angeles, New York, The Woodlands and Washington, DC, Andrews Kurth represents a wide array of clients in all areas of business law.