

## Headline News

### A&K Partners Top the Chambers Global Guide for "The World's Leading Lawyers" for Corporate and M&A Work

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**HOUSTON** -- Robert V. Jewell, and Michael O'Leary, partners in the corporate securities practice for Andrews & Kurth, are among the top lawyers in the newly released Chambers Global "The World's Leading Lawyers," 2001-2002.

Named leading individual lawyers, the firm's corporate securities practice is also among the leading law firms in the independently-researched legal guide, which notes, "The firm specialises in cross-border M&A, acting as both buyers and targets, and also has long experience of debt and IPOs. Energy and technology are areas of niche strength."

Only the second edition of the Global Guide, Chambers & Partners is well-known for its long-running U.K. guide. The guide writes of Jewell and O'Leary, "Both clients and competitors pay tribute to the stars of the practice, Bob Jewell and Mike O'Leary, who are both recommended for their commercial acumen."

This is O'Leary's second year to appear in the guide. He was recommended for his work within the energy industry in the first-ever issue.

Andrews & Kurth has historically been recognized as having one of the most active and creative corporate and securities groups in the nation. In the past two years, Andrews & Kurth was involved in more than 78 securities offerings valued at approximately \$18.5 billion, and mergers and acquisitions valued at more than \$34 billion.

Andrews & Kurth L.L.P. was founded in Houston in 1902 and today has 230 lawyers in offices in Austin Dallas, Houston, Los Angeles, London, New York, The Woodlands and Washington D.C. The firm's practice areas include bankruptcy, business transactions, energy, environmental, corporate and securities, labor and employment, litigation, public law, project finance, real estate, structured finance, technology and tax law for U.S. and international clients.