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Preeminent ERISA Law Firm, The Wagner Law Group, Extends its Leadership With the Addition of Attorneys Livia Quan Aber and Ellen Stone

Boston, April 19, 2016 – Marcia Wagner, the Managing Director of The Wagner Law Group, one of the country's top ERISA and employee benefits law firms, announces that Livia Quan Aber and Ellen Stone, both distinguished ERISA and employee benefits attorneys, will join the firm, effective as of May 2, 2016. *"The addition of Livia and Ellen to our outstanding team further builds on the firm's unparalleled breadth and depth in the area of ERISA law,"* says Ms. Wagner.

Ms. Aber, who joins The Wagner Law Group as Of Counsel, has previously held positions specializing in ERISA and employee benefits at law firms, a financial institution and a consulting company, as well as in the U.S. Department of Labor. She has vast experience advising employers on a wide variety of employee benefit matters, including the design, drafting and implementation of qualified retirement plans and employee health and welfare benefit plans. She also has significant experience representing employers before the IRS, DOL and PBGC in the resolution of complex compliance and audit issues. Ms. Aber has experience structuring plan terminations and obtaining rulings from government agencies. She has also advised employers on benefit plan matters arising in acquisitions and divestitures and is the author of *"Employee Benefits: Communications under ERISA" - from Drafting Employment Documents in Massachusetts (3rd Edition 2015)*.

Ms. Stone joins The Wagner Law Group as a Senior Associate with broad ERISA experience. She has advised clients on a wide variety of issues, including statutory, regulatory, fiduciary, administrative and operational issues with respect to qualified retirement plans, tax-sheltered annuities, nonqualified deferred compensation, and welfare plans. Ms. Stone has experience representing clients during IRS audits of employee benefit plans, drafting plan documents and amendments for qualified and nonqualified retirement plans, preparing private letter ruling requests, participating as a court-appointed independent fiduciary and advising on ERISA issues arising from mergers and acquisitions. Ms. Stone also has a robust Estate Planning practice.

Since its establishment in 1996, The Wagner Law Group has been dedicated to the highest standards of integrity, excellence and thought leadership and is considered to be amongst the nation's most exceptional ERISA and employee benefits law firms. The firm has five offices – Boston, San Francisco, Tampa, Palm Beach Garden and St. Louis, providing unparalleled legal advice to its clients, including large, small and nonprofit corporations as well as individuals and government entities, in over 45 states and several foreign countries. The Wagner Law Group's 24 attorneys, a senior benefits consultant and three paralegals combine many years of experience in their specialty fields of practice with a variety of backgrounds. Five of the attorneys are AV rated by *Martindale-Hubbell* as having very high to preeminent legal abilities and ethical standards. Four of the attorneys are Fellows of the American College of Employee Benefits Counsel, a prestigious, invitation-only organization of nationally recognized employee benefits lawyers with 20 or more years of experience.

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