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Katten Praised by *Chambers Global* in Banking & Finance, Derivatives, Hedge Funds and Securitisation

(CHICAGO) Katten announced today that the firm was ranked in Banking & Finance, Capital Markets: Derivatives and Capital Markets: Securitisation in the United States in the 2021 edition of *Chambers Global*. This was the first year the firm's Private Credit practice, which represents creditors and debtors in large, high-value transactions, was recognized in the global Banking & Finance category. Attorneys Henry Bregstein, Gary DeWaal, Chris DiAngelo, Kevin M. Foley, Anna-Liza B. Harris and Howard Schickler were also recognized in their respective practice areas.

Bregstein, a partner in Katten's Financial Markets and Funds practice and based in New York, was recognized in the "Investment Funds: Hedge Funds - USA" category. *Chambers Global* stated he is "admired for his wide-ranging hedge funds practice, with experience in insurance-dedicated funds." Clients praised him for his "depth of knowledge, commerciality and ability to solve complex problems."

DeWaal, special counsel and chair of the Financial Markets and Regulation group in New York, was recognized in the Capital Markets: Derivatives category. *Chambers Global* noted his experience "on a range of asset classes, including investments in cryptoassets." An interviewee praised his ability to "keep himself in the loop on market developments," while another called him "a leader in the cryptocurrency space."

DiAngelo, managing partner of Katten's New York office, received the highest ranking in the "Capital Markets: Securitisation - USA" category and was also named to the "Capital Markets: Securitisation: RMBS" category. *Chambers Global* cited that he is "widely regarded as an authority on RMBS and also handles other real estate-related transactions" and clients praised his "broad experience and vast industry exposure" that enables him to deliver "sage legal advice" on "emerging issues."

Foley, a partner in the Financial Markets and Funds practice in Chicago, was recognized in both the "Capital Markets: Derivatives – USA" and the "Capital Markets: Derivatives: Mainly

Regulatory – USA” categories. Industry observers report that he “focuses his derivatives practice on providing regulatory and compliance advice” and “knows a lot about clearing and the CFTC.”

Harris, a Washington DC-based partner and co-chair of the firm’s Structured Finance and Securitization department, was ranked in the “Capital Markets: Securitisation - USA” and “Capital Markets: Securitisation: Tax - USA” categories. *Chambers Global* recommended Harris for her securitization practice’s focus on “the necessary tax requirements of deals.” Sources noted that she is “extremely knowledgeable about the tax implications of structured finance transactions.”

Schickler, a New York partner and co-chair of the Structured Finance and Securitization department, was ranked in the “Capital Markets: Securitisation - USA” category and was given high marks by industry insiders for his “fantastic negotiation style” and for being “very commercial.” *Chambers* also recognized him for “his knowledge of a broad range of asset classes, including advising on the securitisation of PACE assets.”

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