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## The Wagner Law Group Attorneys Named as Super Lawyers in Massachusetts

Boston, October 20, 2010 – Super Lawyers magazine has named The Wagner Law Group attorneys as Super Lawyers and a Rising Star in Massachusetts. Managing Director Marcia S. Wagner and Partners Russell A. Gaudreau Jr. and John R. Keegan were chosen by their peers and through independent research as prestigious Super Lawyers. Ari J. Sonnenberg received the Rising Star nod as one of the State's top up-and-coming attorneys.

The Wagner Law Group, among the largest ERISA boutique law firms in the U.S., continues to expand with the addition of attorney Roberta F. Johnnene, who has formidable experience in the financial services sector of investments and insurance, as well as the accounting industry. "Ms. Johnnene's proficiency in ERISA consulting, compliance and administration builds on The Wagner Law Group's core focus of employee benefits and executive compensation law," says Ms. Wagner.

Alvin Lurie, Of Counsel to The Wagner Law Group in New York City, has been named an adviser to the Federal Tax Institute of New England. He was the first person to occupy the statutory position (established under ERISA) of Assistant Commissioner of Internal Revenue in charge of Employee Plans & Exempt Organizations, serving in that capacity from 1974 to 1978. In 2007, he was the first recipient of the Lifetime Achievement Award of the American Bar Association Tax Section's Employee Benefits Committee.

Tax Management of the Bureau of National Affairs published "EPCRS – Plan Correction and Disqualification" by Marcia Wagner and Diane Cohen of The Wagner Law Group. The comprehensive portfolio discusses the potentially adverse consequences of plan disqualification and the options available to plan sponsors when plans fail to conform with the exacting requirements that the tax law imposes. Ms. Wagner is immediate past chair of IRS Advisory Committee on Tax Exempt and Government Entities, Employee Benefits Subcommittee, which offers advice and consultation to the IRS on pension matters.

<u>The Wagner Law Group</u>, founded in 1996 by Ms. Wagner, focuses exclusively on ERISA, employee benefits and executive compensation law. The firm has clients in more than 30 states and several foreign countries. The Wagner Law Group provides a full range of <u>legal services</u> needed to establish and maintain clients' benefit and compensation plans and to fulfill their clients' roles as employer, plan sponsor or plan fiduciary.

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