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SCHULTE ROTH & ZABEL NAMES TWO PARTNERS IN LONDON

London, June 6, 2012 — Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP (“SRZ”) is pleased to announce that Nicholas Fagge and Kerrie A. Walsh have been named as partners in Schulte Roth & Zabel International LLP, effective 1 June 2012. Mr. Fagge and Ms. Walsh, who both joined the London office when it opened ten years ago, are part of a team of senior lawyers that gives SRZ one of the largest and most experienced groups of hedge fund lawyers in London.

Mr. Fagge advises investment management clients on the structuring of UK management companies, covering all relevant partnership and tax issues, and more widely on UK and international tax issues relating to the taxation of private investment funds, their investors and managers as well as seed capital transactions. Mr. Fagge also advises on mergers and acquisitions, including transactions involving managers. Mr. Fagge graduated from Corpus Christi College at the University of Oxford and undertook his legal training at the College of Law in Guildford, England.

Ms. Walsh focuses her practice on US and UK financial services law and regulations affecting investment managers and investment funds, including the formation of hedge funds, funds of funds, hybrid funds, activist funds and management companies. She completed her B.S. at San Francisco State University and her J.D., *cum laude*, at the University of San Francisco School of Law.

“We are delighted to recognise Nick’s and Kerrie’s contributions to our investment management practice and our London office,” said Stephanie Breslow, co-chair of the firm’s Investment Management Group and member of the firm’s Executive Committee.

“These promotions reflect our view of the strategic importance of London to our global investment management practice and our dedication to the investment fund industry overall,” said Steven Fredman, co-chair of the firm’s Investment Management Group.

SRZ’s London practice was formed in 2002 and quickly established itself as a leading practice in the European investment management sector. The firm brings extensive experience in alternative investment funds to bear on major fund launches, and when advising US funds on the formation of London offices and European managers opening US outposts. Advising some of the most celebrated names in the European hedge fund industry, SRZ has gained an impressive share of the European investment management legal market.

“Much of the success of SRZ’s London investment management practice over the past ten years is due to the firm’s unique perspective,” commented Christopher Hilditch, partner and head of the London practice. “Particularly, fund managers need to consider the UK and US implications of structuring and managing funds, and our top-tier hedge fund practice in the two major financial jurisdictions, New York and London, make us the only law firm to offer seamless transatlantic services.”

SRZ has been named one of the UK’s top legal service providers to hedge funds by *Chambers and Partners UK* and *PLC Which Lawyer* legal directories. The firm was also named “Leading Law Firm for New Fund Launches” by *The Hedge Fund Journal*.

About Schulte Roth & Zabel

Schulte Roth & Zabel (www.srz.com) is a full-service law firm with offices in London, New York and Washington, DC. As one of the leading law firms serving the financial services industry, the firm regularly advises clients on investment management, corporate and transactional matters, and provides counsel on securities regulatory compliance, enforcement and investigative issues. The firm's practices include investment management; M&A; securities & capital markets; litigation; business reorganisation; distressed debt & claims trading; employment & employee benefits; environmental; finance; individual client services; intellectual property, sourcing & technology; real estate; regulatory & compliance; structured products & derivatives; and tax.

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