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## PROMINENT TRUSTS & ESTATES ATTORNEY CATHERINE GREVERS SCHMIDT JOINS SCHULTE ROTH & ZABEL LLP

New York, October 20, 2014 — **Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP** ("SRZ") today announced the addition of **Catherine Grevers Schmidt** as a partner in the Individual Client Services Group. Resident in the firm's New York office, Ms. Grevers Schmidt will focus her practice on estate planning and administration, trusts, charitable foundations and tax advice. She joins the firm from Patterson Belknap Webb & Tyler LLP, where she served as chair of the Trusts and Estates Group.

"Cathy's expertise and knowledge of complex estate planning and extensive experience administering large estates will be a great asset to our practice," commented **William D. Zabel**, SRZ founding partner and head of the Individual Client Services Group. Since the firm's formation in 1969, Mr. Zabel has represented many of the nation's most influential individuals and their families in matters pertaining to estate planning, wills, trusts, charitable foundations, income and gift tax planning, estate administration and family law.

"We are excited to have Cathy join the firm. She is a highly skilled lawyer with an exemplary reputation," added **Susan C. Frunzi**, a partner in the Individual Client Services Group, who concentrates her practice on providing high net worth individuals with advice in estate planning, estate administration, charitable giving and organizations, family law and litigation.

With broad experience advising high net worth individuals on their personal legal matters, the attorneys in the Individual Client Services Group serve a client base that includes entrepreneurs as well as beneficiaries of inherited wealth. The firm's cross-practice approach provides SRZ's individual services clients with a full range of legal services.

"Our individual client services practice is among the most sophisticated of any law firm. We look forward to Cathy's contributions as she brings to SRZ industry-leading experience," said **Alan S. Waldenberg**, chair of the firm's Executive Committee and chair of the Tax Group.

"Schulte Roth & Zabel has a long history as a leader in providing the highest level of trusts and estates advice. I am thrilled to join this group for which I have so much respect," commented Ms. Grevers Schmidt, who received her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from New York University School of Law, her Ed.M. from Harvard University and her B.S., *cum laude*, from Georgetown University.

### About Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP

Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP ([www.srz.com](http://www.srz.com)) is a full-service law firm with offices in New York, Washington, D.C. and London. As one of the leading law firms serving the financial services industry, the firm regularly advises clients on corporate and transactional matters, as well as providing counsel on regulatory, compliance, enforcement and investigative issues. The firm's practices include individual client services; bank regulatory; business reorganization; employment & employee benefits; environmental; finance; intellectual property, sourcing & technology; investment management; litigation; mergers & acquisitions; real estate; regulatory & compliance; securities & capital markets; structured products & derivatives; and tax.

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