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Estate Planning Update July 2017 - Day Pitney Named Law Firm of the Year by Family Wealth Report

Day Pitney LLP was named 'Law Firm of the Year' by *Family Wealth Report* at its 2017 Awards Ceremony at the Mandarin Oriental Hotel in New York City. In presenting the award to Day Pitney, it was noted that the "judges were impressed by the breadth and diversity of this firm's thought leadership. Their rapid expansion shows real commitment to the sector." "We are delighted to have been named 'Law Firm of the Year' by those in the industry. It is a great honor to be recognized by *Family Wealth Report*, and is a reflection of our commitment to provide the highest level of client service to families of wealth and their businesses," said R. Scott Beach, chair of Day Pitney's Corporate and Business Law department and head of the firm's Family Office practice. ClearView Financial Media's CEO and Publisher of *Family Wealth Report*, Stephen Harris, noted "These awards recognize the very best operators in the private client industry, with 'independence,' 'integrity' and 'genuine insight' the watchwords of the judging process - such that the awards truly reflect excellence in wealth management." With this award, Day Pitney became the only law firm in 2017 to receive accolades at both the *Family Wealth Report Awards* and *Private Asset Management Awards*, where the firm was recognized as "Highly Commended" in the "Best Law Firm—Client Service" category and shortlisted in the "Best Trusts and Estates Division" category. Day Pitney was also among the distinguished honorees of the 2017 Wealth Management Industry Awards. The firm was a finalist in the Family Office Client Initiative category, recognized for its dedication to client service in the family office arena, particularly for adding value to clients through its unrivaled thought leadership contributions, as well as its experience and capabilities in the art law and cybersecurity sectors.

Day Pitney ACTEC News

Day Pitney partner Keith Bradoc Gallant was recently elected to the Board of Regents and Executive Committee of The American College of Trust and Estate Counsel (ACTEC). Day Pitney partners David L. Silvian and Darren M. Wallace were recently elected as ACTEC Fellows. ACTEC is a national professional organization of approximately 2,600 lawyers who have been elected to membership by demonstrating the highest level of integrity, commitment to the profession, competence and experience as trust and estate counselors. To qualify for membership, a lawyer must have no less than 10 years' experience in the active practice of probate and trust law or estate planning. Lawyers and law professors are elected to be Fellows based on their outstanding reputation, exceptional skill, and substantial contributions to the field by lecturing, writing, teaching and participating in bar activities. It is their aim to improve and reform probate, trust and tax laws, procedures, and professional responsibility. Day Pitney now has 16 attorneys who are ACTEC Fellows.