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## Perkins Coie and Partners Ranked in Chambers FinTech 2021 Guide

**SEATTLE** (**December 17, 2020**)—Perkins Coie is pleased to be ranked as a leading fintech law firm in the United States in the *Chambers FinTech 2021* guide. In addition, Perkins Coie partners Dax Hansen and Lowell D. Ness are ranked as Band 1 and Band 2 Blockchain & Cryptocurrencies attorneys, respectively.

Perkins Coie is recognized by Chambers for its strength in blockchain and cryptocurrency matters and related U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission issues. The firm is also lauded for representing fintech companies, including nonbank entities, in all stages of their life cycles. Chambers states, "Perkins Coie is regarded as the premier law firm for cryptocurrency and blockchain issues with perhaps the largest dedicated team in the country in this field. Their deep expertise allows them to holistically evaluate all aspects of a business model and to provide tailored regulatory guidance."

J. Dax Hansen, chair of Perkins Coie's Blockchain Technology & Digital Currency industry group, is recognized for his deep roots in the fintech industry and his role in developing this area of legal practice.

Lowell D. Ness is commended for his work on financing, M&A and development issues in the blockchain and cryptocurrency sectors.

London-based Chambers and Partners publishes directories that assess and rank the world's leading attorneys. The Chambers rankings result from extensive surveys and interviews of in-house counsel and leading law firm partners. Chambers ranks attorneys and law firms in six different bands based on a variety of factors including technical legal ability, professional conduct, client service, and practice area excellence. A ranking in any band is an achievement. See the full FinTech USA rankings here.

Perkins Coie's Fintech industry group and its Electronic Financial Services team stand with clients at the intersection of financial services, technology, and the law to help them navigate the evolving and exciting innovation landscape in the financial services sector. The multidisciplinary team of legal professionals counsels an array of companies on all legal and regulatory issues and matters related to fintech, including regulatory compliance counseling, consumer protection counseling, payments, privacy, intellectual property, and business transactions. Perkins Coie clients include technology infrastructure providers, wireless carriers, online and physical retailers, payment service providers, social networking companies, software application developers, credit and debit card networks, payment standards associations, financial institutions, online lenders, robo advisors, and blockchain and other emerging technology companies. Perkins Coie has an especially strong practice advising companies that have developed new financial services technologies, such as blockchain solutions, marketplace payment processing, and virtual currency exchanges, as they negotiate the complicated web of financial services rules and regulations.

Perkins Coie's <u>Blockchain Technology & Digital Currency</u> industry group was publicly launched in May 2013 as the world's first legal practice focused on decentralized cryptocurrencies and shared ledger technologies. It is an extension of Perkins Coie's long history of representing fintech, internet, mobile, and other technology companies. This multidisciplinary group is at the forefront of industry developments, helping clients address the

complex legal issues faced by blockchain and digital currency businesses. Attorneys in this industry group provide product counseling, regulatory investigations and compliance counseling, litigation support, consumer protection counseling, and business transaction assistance. Clients include shared ledger consortia platforms, exchanges, wallet providers, payment processors, investors, and industry associations.

Perkins Coie is a leading international law firm that is known for providing high-value, strategic solutions and extraordinary client service on matters vital to our clients' success. With more than 1,200 lawyers in offices across the United States and Asia, we provide a full array of corporate, commercial litigation, intellectual property, and regulatory legal advice to a broad range of clients, including many of the world's most innovative companies and industry leaders as well as public and not-for-profit organizations.

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