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CROWELL & MORING'S KATHY KIRMAYER, DOUG SULLIVAN, AND MIKE KAHN RECOGNIZED AMONG "2014 BTI CLIENT SERVICE ALL-STARS" BY BTI CONSULTING GROUP INC.

Washington, D.C. – February 25, 2014: Crowell & Moring LLP is pleased to announce that Litigation Group attorneys Washington, D.C.- partner Kathryn D. Kirmayer, San Francisco-based partner Douglas W. Sullivan, and San Francisco-based senior counsel Michael A. Kahn have been named to BTI Consulting Group's list of 2014 "Client Service All-Stars," which recognizes attorneys who deliver the highest levels of excellent client service. This is the second consecutive year that Kirmayer and Sullivan have been named to the list. In addition, Sullivan and Kahn have been named to the "Client Service Super All-Stars" list, an honor reserved for only four attorneys who were nominated to the BTI list by multiple clients.

According to BTI, "Douglas Sullivan enjoys multiple mentions from clients to secure a spot in the BTI Client Service All-Stars 2014. Clients praise Mr. Sullivan for his forward thinking legal skills describing him as 'intelligent' and a 'creative thinker.'"

In addition, BTI notes that "Michael A. Kahn receives praise for superior client service delivery from multiple clients to achieve this elite recognition as a BTI Client Service Super All-Star. Mr. Kahn is admired by clients for his *expertise* and *strategic approach*, with 'an uncanny ability to see the bigger picture."

Kirmayer is a trial attorney who focuses on complex business litigation and arbitration. She has particular experience in disputes that disrupt, or threaten to disrupt, long-term commercial relationships, such as joint venture disputes, long-term supply disputes, and licensing disputes. Kirmayer's active docket typically includes antitrust cases, such as recovery matters on behalf of long-term firm clients, as well as substantial pre-litigation counseling. She is currently vice-chair of the firm's Finance Committee, and frequently writes and presents on the subject of value-based billing.

Sullivan focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation, including mergers and acquisitions, intellectual property, entertainment, partnership disputes and dissolutions, construction, real estate,

environmental, insurance and securities litigation. He has significant trial experience in state and federal courts, having acted as lead counsel in approximately 15 trials.

Kahn's practice involves federal and state court proceedings throughout the United States. He has tried over twenty cases to verdict with a success rate of over ninety percent. He has also argued over a dozen appeals in State Supreme Court and Federal and State Courts of Appeal and has arbitrated over a dozen cases to decision with over a 90 percent success rate.

To compile this annual list, BTI interviewed more than 300 corporate counsel from Fortune 1000 corporations in over 15 industries to gather feedback on all aspects of client relationships. Those interviewed were asked to identify attorneys who deliver excellent service in five defined key areas, which include client focus, exceptional understanding of the client's business, outsized value, legal skills, and the ability to deliver outstanding results. These in-depth telephone interviews determine precisely which attorneys top the charts in client service excellence.

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