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Bayard Director GianClaudio Finizio is One of Nine Lawyers from International Association of Law Firms Selected to Attend Leadership Institute

WILMINGTON, Del.—March 26, 2013 – Bayard, P.A., a Meritas[®] member law firm based in Wilmington Delaware, announced today that GianClaudio “JC” Finizio is one of nine attorneys accepted to participate in the Meritas Leadership Institute. The Meritas Leadership Institute is a year-long program that provides a forum to development of leadership skills and future leaders of the Meritas alliance of attorneys.

“We are pleased that JC is pursuing a leadership role within Meritas, a global organization of attorneys, that expands the boundaries of legal services that Bayard can provide to its clients,” said Neil B. Glassman, Chairman of the Firm. “Through Meritas, Bayard’s clients have access to a global network of law firms that have been vetted through rigorous quality assurance standards. Bayard is a founding member of Meritas and it is exciting that one of its newest directors has become an active member of the organization.”

GianClaudio Finizio concentrates his practice in the areas of bankruptcy and insolvency law, insurance law and mergers and acquisitions, including general corporate and business law matters. GianClaudio regularly represents debtors, official committees of unsecured creditors or equity holders, financial institutions, and publicly and privately held businesses in bankruptcy cases. He also focuses on insurance matters including advising insurance companies regarding compliance with state regulations and changes in ownership or control. During 2008, GianClaudio performed the duties of Deputy Insurance Commissioner for then Insurance Commissioner of Delaware (now Lieutenant Governor) Matthew Denn. GianClaudio is admitted to practice in the state and federal courts of Delaware.

Founded in 1990, Meritas is a global alliance of business law firms that deliver localized legal service of the highest quality on a fully coordinated basis. An international alliance of over 170 business law firms, located in 70 countries and encompassing 7,000 lawyers, Meritas law firms offer clients an extensive global reach, while maintaining a single point of contact with an uncompromising service standard. Headquartered in Minneapolis, Minnesota, Meritas membership is extended by invitation only.

Bayard, P.A., a Wilmington, Delaware-based firm, has nationally recognized practices in commercial bankruptcy, and corporate and commercial litigation, intellectual property, securitization, structured finance, and insurance insolvencies. Other established practices include counseling clients in the formation of corporations and other alternative entities, real estate, insurance, tax, estate planning and estate administration, and domestic disputes.

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