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Joel H. Trotter is a partner of Latham & Watkins LLP, ranked as the #1 capital markets law firm in the world by Bloomberg and Deal Point Data. He serves as co-chair of the firm's National Office, a centralized team of former SEC senior officials and experienced capital markets lawyers located in Washington, D.C. The firm's capital markets practice draws exceptional support from the National Office, providing an unparalleled ability to deliver sophisticated advice in real time on the toughest securities and listing issues clients face.

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Law360 named Mr. Trotter one of the 10 Most Admired Securities Attorneys from over 1,000 nominations, noting his "deep expertise and excellent judgment" on strategic matters, for which he is "one of the firm's go-to sources for advice." Who's Who Legal recognized Mr. Trotter as a leading lawyer who is "adept at handling complex issues for major corporate clients." The Legal 500 US recommended Mr. Trotter for Corporate Governance (Tier 1), and Law Business Research named him to the International Who's Who of Capital Markets Lawyers.

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