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SACKER & PARTNERS LLP RANKED FIRST FOR PENSIONS

Sacker & Partners LLP, the UK's leading specialist pension law firm, was again awarded top tier status for pensions at the Chambers Guide to UK Legal Services ceremony at London's Waldorf Hotel on 19th October. This is the first time in Chambers' history that just two firms - Linklaters was the second - have been awarded top tier status for pensions; in previous years four firms have been ranked top tier.

Sacker & Partners' 45 lawyers are dedicated exclusively to pensions and pensions litigation under the leadership of Ian Pittaway. The report praised the way that Sackers finds "solutions, rather than problems" and offers "sensible, clear and unpartisan advice."

Senior partner, Ian Pittaway commented: "Sackers continues to drive forward. We've felt a real flight to quality in light of the complex regulatory landscape – clients require the highest levels of service and demand more from their legal advisers. Retaining top tier status helps cement our reputation for excellence."

Partners Ian Pittaway, Mark Greenlees, Chris Close, Peter Docking, Fiona Franklin and Jonathan Seres were all singled out for their superb work and client handling abilities.

Sackers retained second tier status for pensions dispute resolution. The litigation unit stands at the forefront of the industry and attracts wide publicity with its involvement in high-profile cases. The report lauded Katherine Dandy, head of dispute resolution, for her "organised, co-operative and direct" leadership and professional negligence acumen.

The Chambers Guide to UK Legal Services is one of the two authoritative surveys of the UK legal market and follows Sackers' top tier retention for pensions and pensions dispute resolution at the Legal 500 awards in September. Sackers has also been nominated as niche firm of the year in the Legal Week awards, due to take place on 29th November.

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Notes to Editors

Sacker & Partners LLP

- Sacker & Partners LLP is the leading specialist pensions law firm, with a total of 45 pensions lawyers, 23 of whom are partners.
- Sacker & Partners is celebrating its 40th anniversary this year having been formed in 1966.
- The firm advises approximately 800 pension schemes, including those of around 20 companies in the FTSE 100. Clients include employers and trustees from major national and multinational companies.
- Sackers consistently ranks among the top tier of pensions legal advisers in the UK legal directories. Recent awards the firm has won include Pensions Management's Pensions Law Firm of the Year (2006), The Lawyer's Niche Law Firm of the Year (2005), UK Pensions Lawyer of the Year Award (2004) and the UK Pensions Golden Star Award (2004).
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