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Cole Schotz Named Among Top Firms for Bankruptcy Law in Three Markets

Firm also earns high honors in 14 other practice areas

HACKENSACK, N.J., November 1, 2011 – The law firm of Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A. is pleased to announce that the firm is recognized among Best Law Firms by *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers for 2011-2012. Cole Schotz earned a first-tier ranking for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law in Hackensack, Delaware and Baltimore. Additionally, the firm ranks first in 14 other practice areas. The complete list of Best Law Firms is available today on www.bestlawyers.com and in today's issue of *U.S. News & World Report*.

In Hackensack, Cole Schotz earned a first-tier ranking for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, Bankruptcy Litigation, Commercial Litigation, Construction Litigation, Corporate Law, Employment Law for Individuals, Employment Law for Management, Eminent Domain and Condemnation Litigation, Environmental Litigation, Labor and Employment Litigation, Real Estate, Tax Law, Trusts and Estates Law, and Trusts and Estates Litigation.

In Delaware, Cole Schotz earned a first-tier ranking for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law.

In Baltimore, Cole Schotz earned a first-tier ranking for Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights/Insolvency and Reorganization Law, and Bankruptcy Litigation.

The joint project between *U.S. News & World Report* and Best Lawyers provides a comprehensive view of the U.S. legal profession that is unprecedented in both the range of firms represented and in the qualitative and quantitative data used to develop the rankings. Achieving a high ranking is considered a special distinction that signals a combination of excellence and breadth of expertise. The 2011-2012 list is the second edition of the Best Law Firms list.

Cole Schotz serves clients throughout the U.S. with offices in New Jersey, New York, Delaware, Maryland and Texas. The firm represents closely held businesses and individuals as well as Fortune 500 companies. Founded in 1928, the firm has grown to 120 attorneys who work in nine primary areas of practice: Bankruptcy & Corporate Restructuring; Litigation; Real Estate; Tax, Trusts & Estates; Corporate, Finance & Business Transactions; Employment; Environmental; Intellectual Property and Construction Services.