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Hinshaw Adds Securities Attorney Andrew May as a Partner in Chicago

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The U.S. law firm of Hinshaw & Culbertson LLP is pleased to announce that Andrew May, a seasoned securities and commodities attorney, has joined the firm as a partner in the Chicago office. Formerly a principal at Chuhak & Tecson, May has two decades of futures and securities law experience and provides a powerful combination of industry-specific knowledge and personal investment in his clients' success.

"I am very excited to welcome Andrew to the firm," said Dean Parker, practice group leader of the firm's Commercial Transaction practice. "His experience in navigating complex compliance issues, along with regulatory and exchange enforcement, is an excellent complement to our business and litigation capabilities. Our clients will benefit greatly from his guidance and advocacy."

May has represented securities industry participants for more than 20 years, assisting them on a vast array of complex legal issues confronted daily by proprietary trading firms, registered investment advisors (RIAs), hedge funds, clearing and retail broker dealers (BDs), registered representatives (RRs) and hedge fund operators. He also safeguards the interests of futures industry players, including futures commission merchants (FCMs), introducing brokers, commodity pool operators (CPOs), commodity trading advisors (CTAs), floor brokers, and proprietary traders.

"I am excited about the strong synergies in client service philosophy between myself and Hinshaw," said May. "I take a holistic approach to counseling clients, making sure to fully appreciate the stakes involved and ensure the client's concerns are heard, addressed and resolved. My colleagues at Hinshaw share a similar philosophy of personalized client service, and I look forward to introducing my clients to the wide-ranging capabilities offered by the firm."

May has extensive experience in reparations and enforcement actions involving the Commodity Futures Trading Commission (CFTC), Securities and Exchange Commission (SEC) and arbitrations before the National Futures Association (NFA), Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA), and various exchanges such as the Chicago Board Option Exchange (CBOE), Chicago Board of Trade (CBOT), Chicago Mercantile Exchange (CME), Chicago Stock Exchange (CSX), and New York Stock Exchange (NYSE).

He also has a strong track record in protecting the records of registered persons from false, defamatory or retaliatory information. In arbitration, litigation, and mediation, May provides strategic and effective advocacy on

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behalf of broker-dealers, registered investment advisors, options and securities firms and individual brokers, hedge funds, registered representatives and investment advisor representatives facing a wide range of claims, including customer allegations of churning, breach of contract, breach of fiduciary duties, negligence, suitability and unauthorized trading, as well as Blue Sky Law violations.

Earlier in his career, May served as the General Counsel to a SEC-registered investment adviser and broker dealer that operated in the institutional and retail space. He received his B.A. from the University of Illinois at Urbana-Champaign and his J.D. from DePaul University College of Law.