## Simpson Thacher Elects Eleven New Partners

November 22, 2016—New York—Simpson Thacher & Bartlett LLP announced yesterday that it has elected eleven attorneys as members of the Firm effective January 1, 2017. The new partners are:



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Andrew advises clients on executive compensation and employee benefit arrangements, including equity-based incentives, cash-based incentives, deferred compensation, retirement plans and employment, retention and severance agreements, with particular emphasis on issues arising in mergers and acquisitions, initial public offerings and joint ventures. Andrew received his J.D., with Honors, from the George Washington University Law School in 2003. He received his B.A. from the University of Michigan in 2000. Andrew was a Counsel at the Firm prior to his election as a partner.



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Abram concentrates his practice on antitrust matters, with a focus on class action antitrust litigation, antitrust merger review and antitrust counseling. Abram also advises on regulatory issues present in international and cross-border transactions. He received his J.D., *cum laude*, in 2005 from the University of Michigan Law School. He also received an M.A. from Johns Hopkins School of Advanced International Studies in 2002 and a B.A. from Brigham Young University in 2000.



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Ian advises corporate, private equity and other clients on a wide variety of complex cross-border mergers and acquisitions throughout the Asia-Pacific region. Ian's practice includes representing clients in acquisitions, dispositions, leveraged buyouts, joint ventures, minority and strategic investments and other related corporate matters. Ian received his J.D., *magna cum laude*, in 2005 from Fordham University School of Law, where he was a member of the Order of the Coif and the *Fordham Law Review*. He also received his B.Comm. from the University of British Columbia in 1996. Ian was a Counsel at the Firm prior to his election as a partner.



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Mike concentrates his practice on mergers and acquisitions and corporate finance transactions. He regularly represents private equity firms, corporations and financial advisors in a wide range of transactions. In 2008, he received both his J.D. from Vanderbilt University Law School and his M.B.A. from Vanderbilt Owen Graduate School of Management. He received an A.B. from Dartmouth College in 2002.



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Shahpur is a member of the Firm's banking and credit practice. He focuses on domestic and cross-border syndicated credit, acquisition finance and other leveraged finance transactions. He regularly advises leading sponsors and their portfolio companies in connection with a variety of corporate finance transactions, including acquisition financings, bank and bridge loan financings and refinancings. Shahpur received his Postgraduate Diploma in Law Commendation from BPP Law School London in 2005 and his Diploma in Law from City University in London in 2004. He received his B.A., with Honours, from the University of Cambridge-Trinity College in 2003.



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Parker is a member of the Firm's private funds practice. His practice focuses on the formation and operation of private equity funds, including real estate funds, buyout funds, distressed and other debt funds, coinvestment funds and hedge funds. He received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 2008 and his A.B. from Princeton University in 2001.



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Hui focuses her practice on capital markets, securities and corporate governance matters. Hui regularly represents private equity sponsors, corporate issuers and leading investment banks in connection with a broad range of transactions, including initial public offerings, secondary offerings, registered and 144A high yield and investment grade debt offerings, leveraged acquisition financing transactions and liability management transactions. Hui received her J.D. from Columbia Law School, where she was a Harlan Fiske Stone Scholar, and her LL.B. from University College London, both in 2007.



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Tom is a member of the Firm's banking and credit and real estate practices. He advises clients on an array of credit transactions and financial instruments, as well as cross-border finance issues, with a focus on sponsor-driven real estate investments. Tom received a Diploma in Legal Practice, with Distinction, in 2005 from Nottingham Law School and his LL.B. from the University of Sheffield in 2004. Tom was a Counsel at the Firm prior to his election as a partner.



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Linton is a member of the Firm's litigation practice, representing clients in a broad range of high-stakes litigation matters including securities, shareholder derivative disputes, class actions, antitrust and complex commercial disputes. He received his J.D. in 2007 from Duke University School of Law and two B.A. degrees in 2004 from the University of Georgia.



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Ben's practice focuses on public and private mergers and acquisitions, proxy contests and hostile takeover defenses, spin-offs and strategic alliances and joint ventures. He also advises boards on corporate governance matters, fiduciary duties and shareholder activism. Ben received his J.D. from Northwestern University School of Law in 2007 and his A.B. from Princeton University in 2002.



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Adam concentrates his practice on banking and credit matters. He regularly advises leading sponsors and their portfolio companies in connection with a variety of corporate finance transactions, including acquisition financings, bank and bridge loan financings and refinancings. Adam received his J.D. in 2007 from the George Washington University Law School, where he was a member of the *George Washington University Law Review*. He received his B.S. in 2003 from the University of Wisconsin.



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