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THOMAS J. HANDLER HONORED WITH 2021 LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD FROM PRIVATE ASSET MANAGEMENT MAGAZINE

Handler Thayer, LLP Received High Commendation Award in 2021 "Best Trust & Estates Law Firm in the U.S" Category

CHICAGO, April 6, 2021 -- Thomas J. Handler, a founding partner of Handler Thayer, LLP, a Chicago-based national law firm serving affluent families, privately-held businesses and family offices throughout the United States and major international jurisdictions, was recently honored with the Lifetime Achievement Award by *Private Asset Management* (PAM) magazine. Additionally, the firm received PAM's High Commendation Award in the category of 2021 "Best Trust and Estates Law Firm in the U.S."

"We are delighted and humbled to have the work done on behalf of our clients recognized with these prestigious and sought-after industry accolades that acknowledge excellence and innovation in the global wealth management, family office and private client industries," noted Mr. Hander. "While we dedicate ourselves daily to ensure the best outcomes for our clients, it's also gratifying to have our efforts on their behalf recognized by third parties who know the preeminent firms and individual professionals in this competitive space," he added.

"It comes as no surprise to his clients that Tom won this lifetime achievement award, stated George Mellon, CEO of Mellon Enterprises, a 34-year client of Handler Thayer. "Tom is consistently ahead of competitors when it comes to the changes and nuances in the laws that affect individuals and families who seek to preserve their assets for the benefit of future generations and the charitable and cultural organizations they support. His counsel is always well thought out and highly tailored to the specific needs of his clients."

In addition to the PAM recognition, Mr. Handler, who chairs the firm's Advanced Planning & Family Office Practice Group, previously has been named one of the top 15 wealth planners and top 100 attorneys in the United States. He won the Family Wealth Alliance Leadership Award for Lifetime Achievement in 2017 and the Brink Lifetime Achievement Award for Leadership and Service in 2015.

The Private Asset Management Awards "recognize the top investment professionals, wealth advisers, law firms, consultants and other key service providers in the private asset

management space." This is the eighth time in the last ten years that Handler Thayer has been honored with a PAM Award. The firm was named Best Private Client Law Firm in the United States in 2013, 2014, 2017 and 2018, Best Overall Law Firm in the United States in 2012 and 2015 and received High Commendations in 2020 and 2021.



About Handler Thayer, LLP

Handler Thayer, LLP is a national law firm based in Chicago, Illinois serving affluent families, privately-held businesses and family offices throughout the United States and major international jurisdictions. It has been widely recognized as one of the premier private client law firms in the world. In addition to being named Best Family Office Law Firm in the U.S., the firm has been named Best Overall Law Firm in the U.S., Best Private Client Law Firm in North America and Most Effective Private Client Legal Team in North America numerous times.