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Margaret Grottenthaler retired from the firm on December 31, 2018. Margaret was the head legal research partner in the Toronto office, where she prepared opinions and provided advice to clients and colleagues on a wide variety of corporate and commercial issues. She joined Stikeman Elliott as an articling student in 1984 after graduating as the silver medalist from the Faculty of Law at University of Western Ontario. She pioneered the role of research lawyer at Stikeman Elliott, where she transformed the firm's approach to developing, managing and sharing intellectual capital which led to the creation of the Knowledge Management team at the firm.

Margaret also developed an expertise in derivatives products and securities financing arrangements, where numerous clients came to rely on her in this area, including major financial industry associations, government entities, Canadian banks and pension plans, and many of the world's largest financial institutions. Margaret co-authored *The Law of Financial Derivatives in Canada*, which was first published in 1999 and remains an invaluable resource today.

She was recognized as "Lawyer of the Year" in derivatives by *The Best Lawyers in Canada* for 2019 and 2017. Margaret was presented with the *Lexology Global Client Choice* award for her work in the field of derivatives in 2017. Her expertise has also been recognized by *The Canadian Legal Lexpert Directory*, *Lexpert/American Lawyer Guide to the Leading 500 Lawyers in Canada* and *The Best Lawyers in Canada*.

Margaret has embodied the best of Stikeman Elliott's intellectual capital with original thinking, practical commercial advice, crisp writing style, innovative approach, and analytical rigour. We are grateful for Margaret's transformative contributions to the firm and her leadership in her field. We wish her well as she embarks on her next chapter.