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Hamburg Office Strengthened: Martin Seevers and His Team Transfer from EY Law to ADVANT Beiten

Hamburg, 1 March 2024 – The international law firm ADVANT Beiten strengthens its Hamburg office in the tax and corporate criminal law practice with a team of three from Ernst & Young Law. Martin Seevers, former Financial Services Tax Controversy Leader in Germany and EMEIA at EY Law, joins ADVANT Beiten as Equity Partner. Salary Partner Julian Niederlein and Senior Associate Guido Storck are joining with him.

The team headed by the Hamburg lawyer and tax advisor is particularly well connected in the financial sector and specialises in representing corporate interests in tax disputes and criminal proceedings as well as vis-à-vis supervisory authorities. It works for several financial institutions in the investigation and defence of cum/ex and cum/cum transactions, regularly advising on tax compliance and tax transparency matters as well as the associated regulatory questions. Internal investigations regarding other criminal offences as well as compliance matters in the context of money laundering prevention and sanctions compliance are also key advisory areas. All lawyers in the team are qualified as Certified AML & Fraud Officers.

Martin Seevers, LL.M. Tax (USA) (55) specialises on preventing, supporting and resolving tax conflicts in the financial sector at the interface of law, tax, compliance and anti-financial crime. He particularly advises on tax and corporate criminal law, anti-financial crime and financial sanctions as well as related compliance issues and internal investigations. He represents companies and individuals in criminal and administrative fine proceedings in and out of court, as well as vis-à-vis financial and other authorities (e.g. BaFin).

Julian Niederlein (36), a licensed tax law specialist, advises particularly on preventing and avoiding conflicts at the interface of tax criminal law and the law of administrative offences. He further specialises on the representation of companies and private individuals in tax dispute and tax procedural law.

Guido Storck, LL.M. Corporate Criminal Law (42) advises banks, insurances and companies on all questions of tax and corporate criminal law, as well as on any related issues that may arise.

"The complexity and increasing regulation of our globalised, digitalised business life mean that private individuals and companies can find themselves facing claims under criminal or administrative proceedings at any time," says Dr Guido Krüger, Co-Managing Partner of ADVANT Beiten, adding: "We are delighted to have Martin Seevers and his team on board as highly experienced experts who are established in the market and can provide comprehensive advice to both

companies and private individuals in all areas of corporate and tax criminal law. With the new team in Hamburg, we complement our advisory portfolio perfectly and strengthen our cross-location team across various seniority levels."

Martin Seevers comments: "ADVANT Beiten, with an excellently positioned tax team, a high effectiveness in dispute resolution, corporate criminal law & compliance, as well as a proven track record in legal tech, provides an ideal platform for our tax and corporate criminal law practice. It allows us to not only provide legal advice on comprehensive internal investigations with an international dimension as well as complex compliance matters but also assist our clients with the implementation of necessary compliance measures, from a single source. I am very much looking forward to this new challenge."

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