## Hughes Hubbard Earns Top Marks in 2016 **Corporate Equality Index**

New York, November 18, 2015—Hughes Hubbard proudly announced today that it received a perfect score of 100 percent on the 2016 Corporate Equality Index (CEI), a national benchmarking survey and report on corporate policies and practices related to LGBT workplace equality, administered by the Human Rights Campaign Foundation. The firm joins the ranks of more than 400 U.S. businesses that achieved 100 percent this year.

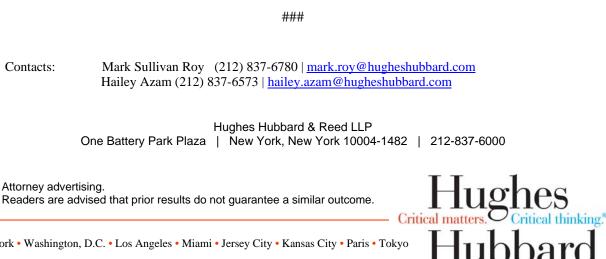
"Diversity has been part of our DNA since our founding more than a century ago. Earning a perfect score on the Corporate Equality Index is a testament to our commitment to the values of diversity and inclusion," said Diane Lifton, partner and co-chair of Hughes Hubbard's Diversity Committee.

"We are proud to be recognized as a top employer for the LGBT community," added Meaghan Gragg, associate and chair of Hughes Hubbard's LGBT Attorney Affinity Group. "Hughes Hubbard has an enduring commitment to diversity, and our CEI score is vet another example of this bedrock firm value."

The 2016 CEI rated 1,027 businesses in the report, which evaluates LGBT-related policies and practices including non-discrimination workplace protections, domestic partner benefits, transgender-inclusive health care benefits, competency programs, and public engagement with the LGBT community. Hughes Hubbard's efforts in satisfying all of the CEI's criteria results in a 100 percent ranking and the designation as a Best Place to Work for LGBT Equality.

## **About Hughes Hubbard**

Hughes Hubbard & Reed LLP is an international law firm founded in 1888 by the renowned jurist and statesman Charles Evans Hughes. It has been ranked for eleven years, including five years in a row as the top-ranked New York-based firm, on The American Lawyer's A-List of what the magazine calls "the top firms among the nation's legal elite."



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