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### EDWARD LEHMAN ONCE AGAIN NOMINATED FOR FOUR PRESTIGIOUS LEADING LAWYER AWARDS

**Beijing, China – Sep 27, 2008** –Edward E. Lehman, Managing Director of top 3 Chinese law firm, Lehman, Lee & Xu has been nominated as Leading Asia Lawyer in the fields of Intellectual Property, Capital Markets/Corporate Finance, Competition/Anti-trust and Construction & Property.

“It is a great honor to be recognized in these categories: we have been growing our aggressively growing our practice in these areas and its fantastic to get recognized by our peers”. States Lehman “The Chinese legal market is getting more and more competitive with clients starting to retain China’s top tier domestic firms over the international firms they have traditionally used”

The Leading Asia Lawyer Awards are aimed at Asia’s leading practitioners and is seen as a way of both recognizing those who have a track record of excellence but also as a way of increasing practice standards by providing a means for high quality legal work and professionalism to be rewarded.

“Our traditional strength has been in IP and I am delighted to be nominated again this year” relays Ed “It is also an honor to be nominated in the field of Capital Markets and Corporate Finance as this is an area we have been have been focusing on as more and more financial institutions look toward China. Investment banks and financial service providers demand the highest standards of professionalism and we are delighted to be working with some of the major players in the field”. Likewise being nominated in the Antitrust field is an honor for Ed. “China’s legal system is becoming more and more plugged in to the world economy and the new competition law has created many new opportunities and challenges”

Ed has also been nominated in the Real Estate category. “China’s real estate market has been booming for years and the government has recently introduced new restrictions on foreign investment in the field to help cool the market. “This has led to investors taking a creative approach in this field and while its become more complicated, we see a growing demand for high quality real estate projects”

Ed’s journey to where he is today was not an easy one; as the only foreign managing director of a

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Chinese licensed firm he has had to overcome many obstacles to grow his firm from a small three man outfit to the leading regional firm it is today "Its taken us 16 years to develop from three lawyers in a small office in Shanghai to having over 600 professionals throughout China, Hong Kong, Macau, Mongolia and Mauritius and its been quite a journey. Seeing how far we've come really makes these nominations all the more rewarding."

Lehman, Lee & Xu is a prominent Chinese corporate law firm and trademark and patent agency with offices in Beijing, Shanghai, Shenzhen, Hong Kong, Macau, and Mongolia. The firm has been recognized as one of the top trademark firms in China by several intellectual property magazines and is managed by Mr. Edward Lehman, a leading expert on corporate law with 20 years of practice experience in Mainland China.

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