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Appointment of Judges to the Cayman Islands Grand Court – Financial Services Division (part-time)

Her Excellency the Governor is pleased to announce the appointment of Nigel Clifford, QC and Nicholas Segal to the Cayman Islands Grand Court – Financial Services Division (part-time).

Throughout July and August, the Judicial and Legal Services Commission carried out an open recruitment process advertising the post locally and overseas. Following a short-listing process, an interview panel (on which Chief Justice Smellie was represented) interviewed four persons for these posts; ultimately recommending Nigel Clifford, QC and Nicholas Segal as the successful candidates. Her Excellency accepted the recommendation to appoint Nigel Clifford, QC and Nicholas Segal as Judges to the Cayman Islands Grand Court – Financial Services Division (part-time).

On confirming the appointments, the Governor said “The Financial Services Division is an integral part of the Grand Court and the judicial system as a whole.

The appointment of Justice Clifford and Justice Segal to the Financial Services Division will continue to ensure the Cayman Islands have the ability to adjudicate the complex civil cases that arise out of the financial sector in the Cayman Islands”.

Notes for Editors:

Nigel Clifford, QC practised extensively as an attorney-at-law in the Cayman Islands for over 25 years during which time he was Senior Counsel of Appleby (Cayman) Ltd (2004-2013) and a Litigation Associate and then Partner at Hunter & Hunter (1987-2003). Prior to which, Mr. Clifford practised as a barrister in England for twelve years. He was called to the English Bar by Middle Temple in 1973. His appointment begins on 1 January 2015.

Nicholas Segal is a partner in the finance department at Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer LLP. He has been in private practice for over 30 years and has practised in London and New York (and is qualified in both jurisdictions). He was educated at Oxford University (where he now lectures from time to time). His appointment begins on 1 January 2015.