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The year 2017 marks the 15th anniversary of the opening of Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries, Attorneys-at-Law. In celebration of this achievement, this conference offers presentations and a panel discussion on the latest news and trends in the investment funds industry in the Cayman Islands as well as a special guest speaker.

Stuarts is a specialist investment funds offshore legal practice offering fully integrated offshore corporate and commercial legal advice from experienced attorneys who offer world class responsiveness and in-depth market knowledge and understanding in the investment funds industry. The Investment Funds Team advises many of the world's leading fund managers, fund promoters and institutional investors and provides offshore legal advice on the formation, structuring, regulation, re-organisation, de-registration and liquidation of investment funds in the Cayman Islands; and provides on-going legal advice to investment funds and fund managers.

4:15 - 4:30 PM

#### Registration

Sofitel Hotel, Grand Paris Ballroom, Lobby

4:30 - 4:35 PM

#### Welcome

Andrew Hersant, Chairman, Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries

4:35 - 5:00 PM

#### Cayman as a Funds Jurisdiction

Chris Humphries, Managing Director, Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries

- A short introduction to the Cayman Islands and its many advantages as a leading financial centre.
- An introduction to the funds industry in the Cayman Islands

5:00 - 5:25 PM

#### Cayman Islands Funds Industry Update

James Smith, Associate, Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries

- What are the recent developments in the funds industry in the Cayman Islands?
- What are the new laws and regulations?

5:25 - 5:50 PM

#### Funds Litigation Update

Richard Annette, Head of Litigation, Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries

- What are the recent developments in fund litigation in the Cayman Islands?
- Are there any new laws or interesting cases being addressed?







#### 5:50 - 6:10 PM

#### Key Note Speaker

Sean Swarner

1st Cancer Survivor to Summit Everest | Global Influential Speaker | 7-Summits | Hawaii Ironman | Author: Keep Climbing

Sean Swarner is the first cancer survivor to climb all 7 summits (including Mount Everest) with one lung. He will share his story on climbing the summits and overcoming adversities. He will speak about staying motivated in life and how to cope while providing inspiring life lessons we can all live by. Achieving success is about persistence, determination & the relatable common thread of overcoming obstacles.







#### 6:10 - 6:50 PM

#### Panel Discussion

Martha Coultrap, Partner, Sullivan & Worcester | Wes Sturdevant, Director, Deutsche Bank Private Equity, Deutsche Asset Management | Chris Humphries | Richard Annette | Moderator: James Smith

A panel discussion on the thoughts and concerns that investors have about Cayman Islands structures and investing in the Cayman Islands.

#### 6:50 - 6:55 PM

#### Closing Remarks

Ornella Leahong, Marketing Coordinator, Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries

#### 6:55-8:30 PM

#### Cocktail Reception

Grand Paris Ballroom





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Andrew was a founding director of Stuarts.

Andrew's practice areas include investment funds, corporate finance, lending and restructuring. Andrew is one of the leading legal counsels in the Cayman Islands advising hedge funds, private equity funds, other investment funds and large institutions on corporate finance matters. His clients include large institutions, fund managers, investment funds and investment banks. He is also regularly engaged by other participants and professional advisers, in particular onshore counsel on a variety of transactions. His practice is divided between the US and Europe. Andrew is a director for Stuarts Corporate Services Ltd. and Southern Management Services Ltd.

Andrew advises on several complex hedge fund restructurings. He has also advises on the formation and launch of hedge funds and private equity funds and on corporate re-organisations, fiduciary matters and debt restructurings, as well as on a number of leading investment banks on finance and security issues in the Cayman Islands.



Chris Humphries
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Chris is the Managing Director of Stuarts. He joined in 2004 as one of the founding directors. As head of the specialist investment funds team and considered a leader in his field, he has registered several hundred mutual funds with the Cayman Islands Monetary Authority and frequently advises on regulatory and compliance issues involving funds, investment managers and fund administrators. Chris advises on the strategic restructuring of funds, the delay in redemption payments and other redemption restrictions as well as the use of side pockets or special purpose vehicles for illiquid assets and investor communications and disputes.

Chris establishes investment managers and fund administrators in the Cayman Islands and advises on their respective regulatory regimes. He has extensive experience in all types of fund structures including master-feeder and fund of fund structures as well as the establishment of complex fund platforms using exempted companies and/or partnerships and the use of segregated portfolio companies. Chris is a director for Stuarts Corporate Services Ltd. and Southern Management Services Ltd.



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James is a member of the specialist investment funds team at Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries and advises on all aspects of the set-up, operation and closure of investment funds. He advises on the regulatory framework governing funds and their managers in the Cayman Islands. James also has a broad experience on a wide range of corporate and commercial transactions for private and listed clients.

James joined Stuarts as an Associate in 2014 having previously worked in the Corporate department of Eversheds LLP where he focused primarily on private equity work but also covered a wide range of high value and complex corporate transactions including M&A, private equity, public company transactions, intra-group reorganisations and general corporate advisory work. The majority of the transactions he advised on included a cross-border element, including in Europe, Africa, the Channel Islands, the Middle East and Far East.

#### SPEAKER BIOS





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Richard qualified as a solicitor in England and Wales in March 1995 and has over 20 years' experience of complex international commercial litigation, arbitration and insolvency matters. He was admitted as an Attorney-at-Law in the Cayman Islands in June 2000 and joined Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries in March 2005. He has consistently been recommended by the Legal 500 in respect of litigation work in the Cayman Islands. Having previously worked for over 5 years at Clifford Chance in London and for over 2 years at White & Case in London, Richard's experience includes a wide variety of corporate, commercial and insurance disputes. Richard has extensive international arbitration experience having been involved in various ICC, LCIA, UNCITRAL and LMAA arbitrations, including appearing before Arbitral Tribunals. He has appeared in both the Grand Court of the Cayman Islands and Court of Appeal in the Cayman Islands as well as acting in proceedings before the Privy Council.



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Aaron advises on all aspects of the formation, operation and termination of investment funds. He routinely advises fund sponsors and other stakeholders on the structuring and formation of hedge and private equity funds; the day-to-day administration of funds from a Cayman Islands law perspective (including, for example, corporate governance and fiduciary duties, investor issues, matters pertaining to illiquid portfolios and portfolio transactions); the restructuring, wind-down and liquidation of funds; and the regulatory framework governing funds and their managers in the Cayman Islands. Aaron also advises on a broad range of general corporate matters and his clients include institutional fund sponsors, boutique investment managers and private equity houses.



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Martha Coultrap is a partner and the head of the Private Investment Funds Group in the Finance Group. She represents institutional and family office investors in connection with their primary and secondary investments in unregistered investment funds. Her institutional clients include funds of funds, regulated financial institutions, public and private pension funds, foreign pension funds and family offices; the investments funds are U.S. and offshore buy-out, growth, venture capital, and special situations' funds. Other commercial matters Ms. Coultrap handles include fund formation, senior debt financings and equity investments in low income housing and new market tax credit transactions, bank regulatory compliance, and corporate and partnership governance matters.



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Wes Sturdevant is a Director and Head of the Private Client Business of DB Private Equity. He is responsible for strategic business development as well as product development and structuring. Mr. Sturdevant held a similar position as part of the Private Equity Group in Deutsche Bank's Private Wealth Management division and was instrumental in raising and managing approximately \$5 billion of capital on behalf of Deutsche Bank's high net worth clients. Prior to joining Deutsche Bank in 2000, Mr. Sturdevant was a Vice President at Goldman, Sachs & Co. involved in various private fund initiatives launched by Goldman Sachs Asset Management and Goldman Sachs PIA. Prior to joining Goldman, Mr. Sturdevant was with Deloitte & Touche. Mr. Sturdevant is a Certified Public Accountant and received a B.A. from North Carolina State University.



KEYNOTE SPEAKER



### Sean Swarner

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With only one functioning lung, a prognosis of fourteen days to live, and being in a medically-induced coma for a year, Sean Swarner is the first cancer survivor to stand on top of the world... Mt. Everest. Sean has broken through defined human limitation in order to redefine the way the world views success.

Sean was diagnosed with two deadly, different, and unrelated forms of cancer, once at the age of thirteen and again at the age of sixteen. After an incredibly poor prognosis, and being read his last rites, Sean astounded the medical community when he survived both these brutal diseases. He realized that after defeating cancer twice, no challenge would ever be too great, no peak too high.

Sean proved his theory when he crested the peak of Mt. Everest. As the first cancer survivor to do so, Sean decided to continue climbing and has since topped the highest peaks in Africa, Europe, South America, Australia, Antarctica, and North America, thus completing the "7-Summits". With the completion of the Ironman World Championship in Hawaii, Sean has his sights on trekking to the Poles at the top and bottom of the world.

As Sean continues to defy the odds, test his own endurance and inspire and motivate people around the world, he shares his message of healing, hope, and triumph with cancer patients worldwide. Sean also serves as a source of inspiration as the founder of the non-profit organization, The Cancer Climber Association, as author of the book "Keep Climbing," and as a motivational speaker to corporations, universities, and other organizations around the globe.

Sean Swarner will continue to Keep Climbing and defy boundaries in order to change the way people think. He has been called the most powerful speaker ever by such companies as IBM, Roche, Amgen, and countless organizations and universities around the globe. He has an uncanny ability to empower people to climb their own Everest in both life and in business. After hearing Sean speak, your life will never be the same.

#### **ABOUT STUARTS**



Stuarts Walker Hersant Humphries, Attorneys-at-Law is a leading offshore law firm advising international law firms, major financial institutions, Fortune 500 companies and high-net worth individuals in connection with a wide range of cross border commercial arrangements and international transactions.

The firm's vision is to be the offshore legal partner of choice by offering responsive, effective and commercial advice. Stuarts is a listing agent for the Cayman Islands Stock Exchange. The firm's affiliated organisation, Stuarts Corporate Services Ltd., provides a comprehensive range of offshore company incorporation; management, accounting and administration services for entities, finance vehicles and funds registered in the Cayman Islands. We pride ourselves on providing our clients with tailored solutions at value.

The Investment Funds Team provides offshore legal advice on the formation, structuring, regulation, re-organisation, de-registration and liquidation of investment funds in the Cayman Islands; and provides on-going legal advice to investment funds and fund managers.

The Investment Funds Team has particular experience in advising on investment platforms and works closely with leading onshore law firms to overcome the challenges and demands of structuring, establishing, operating and distributing successful platforms.

The Team is also heavily involved in providing distressed funds services having been instructed in connection with many of the largest fund insolvency events in the history of the Cayman Islands.

Our lawyers offer in-depth market knowledge, understanding and expertise in relation to the investments funds industry. In particular, Chris Humphries and Andrew Hersant collectively have over 35 years of experience in offshore investment funds.



