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New Strategic Alliance with Finance Scholars Group Enables Claro Clients to Benefit from a World-Class Network of Academic and Recognized Experts

April 8, 2014 – [The Claro Group](#) (Claro), a financial advisory and management consulting firm, today announces a major expansion of its litigation consulting and expert testimony team through a strategic alliance with [Finance Scholars Group](#) (FSG), a national economic consultancy known for providing high-quality expert services in litigation matters. The alliance with FSG will enhance Claro's ability to serve its law firm and corporate clients by offering them access to FSG's world-class network of academic and recognized experts. Claro will combine the in-depth knowledge of its highly skilled staff with the roster of recognized thought leaders and prominent experts in their fields, who will be available as valuable resources to support specific litigation cases. The extensive network spans a diverse range of academic and professional specialties, including economics, finance, valuation, marketing and intellectual property.

As part of the Claro/FSG alliance, professionals from FSG's Austin office, led by FSG's President, [Jeffrey Andrien](#), and Principal, [Prateek Shah](#), have joined the Claro Group as full-time employees. Mr. Andrien is a seasoned litigation consultant and acknowledged expert witness, specializing in economic and financial analysis of antitrust, intellectual property, securities, and commercial damages matters. He is also highly skilled in assisting clients with matters involving valuations, bankruptcy, fraud and breach of contract. Mr. Shah, a certified public accountant, brings significant experience managing large consulting engagements and testifying to lost profit and commercial damages analyses.

George Hansen, Managing Director of Disputes, Claims & Investigations, The Claro Group, said: "We are excited about the alliance with FSG and we are delighted to welcome Jeff, Prateek and members of their team to Claro. Their litigation consulting and expert testimony experience is the perfect complement to our existing services in this area and will enhance our offering. We share complementary expertise and skills with FSG, so this strategic alliance creates a compelling opportunity for our clients to benefit from a unique level of intellectual capital and insight from renowned subject-matter experts, via the academic and professional network that Jeff, Prateek and others at FSG have built."

Jeffrey Andrien, Managing Director, The Claro Group, commented: "We are incredibly excited to join the Claro team. Like FSG, Claro has a reputation for delivering the highest quality consulting and dispute-related services for clients, with clarity and integrity. Combining the significant talents and service offerings of the two firms provides our clients with unparalleled access to world-class thought leadership and consulting expertise across a broad array of subject matters."

To learn more about The Claro Group's capabilities or to explore our new network of academic and professional affiliates, visit our website at:

[Claro Disputes, Claims & Investigations Practice](#)

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About The Claro Group

The Claro Group, LLC is one of the nation's top privately owned management consulting firms with offices in Chicago, Houston, Los Angeles, Washington, D.C. and Austin. Founded in 2005 by former Big 5 accounting and consulting firm partners, The Claro Group, one of *Consulting Magazine's* "Seven Small Jewels," provides financial and management consulting services focused on financial advisory services (corporate recovery services, insurance claims, litigation support), business improvement consulting (strategic sourcing/procurement and healthcare provider solutions, including clinical documentation, strategic cost reduction, charge capture, revenue cycle and ICD-10 consulting services) and government contract consulting.

About Finance Scholars Group

Finance Scholars Group, Inc., is a privately-held consulting firm that provides expert analysis of complex issues in accounting, economics, finance, intellectual property, marketing, and valuation, often in the context of business litigation. FSG's Managing Directors, Marc Vellrath, MBA, Ph.D., CFA, and Terry Lloyd, MBA, CPA, CFA, are recognized experts in their fields with years of experience helping companies and law firms resolve disputes. Our Affiliated Experts from

academia and the professions have outstanding credentials and deep expertise in a wide range of business disciplines. Our highly-skilled and experienced Principals and professional staff provide exceptional technical support to our Managing Directors, our Affiliated Experts, and our clients. For more information about FSG, visit our website at www.fsgexperts.com.