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## **Two Cole Schotz Attorneys Named as Lawyers of the Year by Best Lawyers**

**HACKENSACK, N.J., October 11, 2011** – The law firm of Cole, Schotz, Meisel, Forman & Leonard, P.A. is pleased to announce that two of its members (partners) have been selected as Lawyers of the Year for 2012 by Best Lawyers. **Michael H. Forman** is recognized as Trusts and Estates Lawyer of the Year in Hackensack, and **Irving E. Walker** is Bankruptcy Lawyer of the Year in Baltimore. Only one lawyer in each market is honored with this designation, and those recognized have earned particularly high ratings in surveys conducted by Best Lawyers.

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