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ACAMS Announces Winners for AML Career Leadership and Leadership in Government Awards at Annual Conference in Hollywood, Florida

MIAMI, Fla., March 17, 2015 – The Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) recognizes two individuals for their leadership in the anti-money laundering (AML) and financial crime prevention community. During the organization's *20th Annual International ACAMS moneylaundering.com AML & Financial Crime Conference* in Hollywood, FL, ACAMS Executive Vice President John J. Byrne, Esq., CAMS presented the awards.

The AML Career Leadership Award was presented to Rick Small, CAMS, and Chairman of the ACAMS Advisory Board in recognition of his career-long commitment to leading, advising and counseling the global AML profession and personally mentoring numerous members of the ACAMS community. Byrne spoke highly of Small, noting, "ACAMS is extremely grateful for Rick's commitment to the AML and financial crime prevention community. He has always acted as a strong role model for all AML professionals, including those in both the private and public sectors."

Adam J. Szubin, Acting Under Secretary, Terrorism and Financial Intelligence and former Director of the Treasury's Office of Foreign Assets Control (OFAC), received the 2015 ACAMS AML/CTF Leadership in Government Award. Byrne calls Szubin a "role model for public service" and Chip Poncy, Co-founder of Financial Integrity Network (FIN), describes Szubin as an example of, "how to pioneer, manage and execute a critical and tough-minded mission with an easy confidence, personal humility and decency that inspires the best from everyone fortunate enough to work with him."

Both Small and Szubin are featured speakers at the *20th Annual International ACAMS moneylaundering.com AML & Financial Crime Conference*, a three-day forum held each year in Hollywood, Florida, that attracts over 1,500 financial crime detection and prevention professionals.

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