Premier Anti-Money Laundering Trade Association Names Special Advisor to Canada

ACAMS Appoints Garry Clement to Head Canadian Operations

MIAMI – May 21 2012 – The Association of Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialists (ACAMS) has named Garry Clement, President and CEO of Clement Advisory Group, as Special Advisor to the Association in their outreach efforts to the Canadian financial crime detection and prevention community. Clement, who is also co-chair of the ACAMS Canada Chapter Executive Board, will help set a course that aligns with the current trends in Canada and help build upon the Canada Chapters presence within the compliance community.

“Mr. Clement is a long-time AML expert and a pioneer in the financial crime prevention community, who has been a long-standing supporter of ACAMS,” said John Byrne, CAMS, ACAMS executive vice president. “Garry’s impressive credentials and exceptional career make him the perfect candidate to enhance ACAMS’ efforts in the Canadian compliance community. Gary has worked from both sides of the fence—from a distinguished career in law enforcement to a well-known consultant in the private sector.”

Garry established thirty years of policing experience with the Royal Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP) in a range of investigative matters and management roles, as well as four years as the Chief of Police for Cobourg, Ontario. He retired from the RCMP holding the national position of Director, Proceeds of Crime. Garry is an internationally recognized expert in the areas of money laundering, financial crime and overall detection of suspicious activity. During his tenure in the RCMP, he worked in the areas of proceeds of crime and money laundering as an investigator, undercover operator and manager. Additionally, he served as a Liaison Officer in Hong Kong, where he worked with law enforcement in the Asia-Pacific area dealing with counterfeiting, fraud and money laundering. Garry started Clement Advisory Group in April 2009.

“We are thrilled to have someone whose career spans international borders and has made an impact on both law enforcement and the financial services industry. Mr. Clement will surely help build a stronger AML compliance community within Canada and further the AML/CTF and financial crime prevention dialogue,” concluded Byrne.

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