

Cornerstone International Group

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For Immediate Release:

Barnes Kavelle Becomes BK Cornerstone

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Neil McLaughlin, Managing Partner says, “As a leading European member of the Cornerstone International Group network, we will be known as BK Cornerstone Ltd. This change recognizes the increasing importance to our clients of a trusted and professional global resourcing capability. In the **war for talent**, access to exceptional candidates worldwide is vital in fulfilling business critical assignments for our UK clients. Our membership in Cornerstone is a critical component in servicing that need.”

Partner Ian Day added, “Over several years, we have met and shared views with other owner-managers who constitute the Cornerstone International Group’s network and have been delighted to find similar, like-minded individuals with strong personal values and a focus on delivering excellent customer service. Feedback from our clients about successfully completed assignments from as far afield as China and Canada is testimony to the capabilities of our overseas partners.”

McLaughlin continues, “We remain an independent, owner-managed company in the UK and our consultants continue to be committed to providing effective recruitment services tailored to the needs of clients in the home market. However, the extensive resources of Cornerstone International Group mean that we have a reach that extends across the globe and enables us to provide intimate local knowledge on every key market in the world. In short, delivering all the benefits of being: **Locally owned, globally connected**”

As explained by the Founder and CEO of Cornerstone, William Guy, “Cornerstone International Group is one of the world's largest HR consulting networks, including a consortium of approximately 100 member offices and nearly 400 affiliates strategically positioned in virtually every primary and secondary business center of the world.

Cornerstone represents client organizations of all sizes in virtually every industry and every geographical region. We are proud to include on our current and past client lists approximately 50% of the largest global 1000 companies, over two-thirds of the global 500 and over three-fourths of the global 100. Cornerstone is also privileged to include among its clients 9 of the 10 largest multi-national firms in the world.”

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RETAINED EXECUTIVE SEARCH (ranked #1 in primary business markets): Board Search, Executive Search, Professional & Industry Recruiting; Second-Opinion Evaluations; Management and Board Reference Checking.

HUMAN RESOURCES CONSULTING:

Leadership Assessment; Compensation & Benefits; HRIS; Labor Relations; Employee Communications; Organizational Development & Training; Succession Planning; Outplacement; etc.

BOARD & GENERAL MANAGEMENT CONSULTING

Board Governance (including Sarbanes-Oxley compliance); Board Compensation; Board Assessment (individual and/or group assessment); Strategic and Succession Planning; Turnaround and Interim Management; Mergers & Acquisitions.