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## Pryor Cashman's Restaurant, Food & Beverage Practice and Their Clients Are Thriving

Despite harsh economic times for the restaurant industry generally, Pryor Cashman's Restaurant, Food and Beverage Practice clients continue to thrive and benefit from our wide-ranging experience in the industry. Our clients and some of the work we have recently performed for them include:

- **Aristocrat Partners, LLC:** We assisted our client in its successful raising of equity capital to open *Hotel Griffou*, a fine dining restaurant at 19 West 9th Street in Greenwich Village.
- **Batali-Bastianich Hospitality Group:** We represented Batali in negotiating the lease to bring the *Eataly* Italian food retail center concept to New York City.
- **David Burke:** We were involved in the acquisition of the space on East 62nd Street for David Burke's new seafood restaurant, *Fishtail*, and also assisted him in the successful negotiation of a separation agreement with his former partner in *David Burke Townhouse* (formerly *David Burke & Donatella*).
- **Hill Country Barbecue and Market:** We represent Hill Country in all of its day-to-day operations and were involved in the lease for a second location in Washington, D.C.
- **Ian Chalermkittichai:** We have represented this celebrity chef in various new ventures after his separation from *Kittichai Restaurant*.
- **Nanoosh Mediterranean Hummus Bar:** We assisted Nanoosh in opening up a second location on the Upper East Side.
- **Sam Hazen:** We have represented this celebrity chef, formerly of *Tao Restaurant* (the highest grossing independent restaurant in the country), on various matters.
- **Scott Conant:** We represent Mr. Conant, whose New York City restaurant *Scarpetta* received a 3-star review from *The New York Times*, in a variety of matters and negotiated the agreements to open additional *Scarpetta* restaurants in Miami and other locations.

Pryor Cashman's Restaurant, Food and Beverage Practice attorneys have also represented investors, operators and franchises of restaurants, including:

- An investor in the first *Palm Steakhouse* in London.
- A client negotiating Development and Franchise Agreements to bring the Five Guys Burgers & Fries national chain to Ontario and Quebec.
- A New Jersey developer and franchisee of SONIC, a chain of drive-in restaurants.

We also represent AlwayshungryNY.com, a custom restaurant search engine and food blog to which Corporate Partner Rich Frazer is a regular contributor.