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BROWN RUDNICK SHORT-LISTED FOR 2008 TECHNOLOGY LAW FIRM OF THE YEAR AWARD

*Brown Rudnick nominated by independent panel of judges as part of Library House's
2008 UK Technology Innovation & Growth Awards*

London, U.K., March 4, 2008 -- Brown Rudnick, a premier international law firm, today announced that it has been named a finalist for a 2008 UK Technology Innovation & Growth Award by Library House in the category of "Technology Law Firm of the Year." Now in their ninth year, the UK Technology Innovation & Growth Awards recognise those individuals and organisations that drive the success of the UK's fastest-growing technology companies. Sponsors include PricewaterhouseCoopers, SPARK Ventures, UK Trade and Investment and Venture Navigator. Library House is the essential source of intelligence on fast-growth, innovation-led private companies.

Tina Baker, Co-Head of the European Venture Capital and Emerging Growth Practice, commented: "We are delighted to have been nominated for this award, especially since this year marks the 10th anniversary of Brown Rudnick's London Office. In the US, we are recognised as the adviser of choice for venture investors and venture-backed companies, and in the last 10 years, we have made it our goal to achieve similar status in London and bring our network of clients and contacts to the European stage. Being short-listed really demonstrates we have achieved this. And with our exceptional pan-European client base (both investor and company) and our ongoing plans to grow our London office, we are really excited about the future of Brown Rudnick in London and throughout the rest of Europe." Tina is a dual qualified (US and UK) partner in Brown Rudnick's London Office and a member of the EVCA Professional Standards Committee.

Brown Rudnick's Corporate Team provides strategic advice and guidance to business organisations through all phases of their growth, from start-up, to enhancing and managing growth, through the execution of an exit strategy. Drawing from the full menu of capabilities, this practice group has established enduring relationships with these corporate "life cycle" clients.

Facilitating access to seed and growth capital, Brown Rudnick represents investors and companies seeking financing. Clients include emerging growth companies, angel investors, strategic corporate investors, international venture capital funds, hedge funds, private equity funds, commodity pools and similar investment vehicles. London team members continue to define industry standards in the venture capital sector in the UK and across



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Europe. And as long-time supporters of both BVCA and EVCA, the firm has had the opportunity to contribute significantly to the development of this sector.

In recognition of Brown Rudnick's work in the VC sector, Brown Rudnick received a special commendation as part of the 2007 Investor AllStars Service Provider of the Year Award, which honors a specialist advisory firm serving the venture capital industry for its innovation, creativity and overall contribution in a venture financed deal.

Brown Rudnick is a continuing sponsor of programs and initiatives that support the entrepreneurial community. In the UK, the firm is a founding supporter of Seedcamp in Europe, providing financial support as well as mentoring and coaching support to participating entrepreneurs. And, in the US, Brown Rudnick sponsors the MIT \$50K Entrepreneurship Competition, MIT Enterprise Forum, Harvard Biotechnology Club Business Plan Competition, Babson College's Arthur M. Blank Center for Entrepreneurship Business Plan Competition and Rocket Pitch, Boston University's Entrepreneurial Management Institute, Connecticut Venture Group, Brown Venture Group and Slater Center for Interactive Technologies.

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The UK Technology Innovation & Growth Awards will be presented on the evening of Tuesday 18th March 2008 at the end of the second day of the UK Technology Innovation & Growth Forum, the conference that champions the development of the country's most innovative and dynamic technology companies. For a complete list of award nominees in all categories, please visit www.innovationandgrowthforum.com.



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