



## Charles River Associates (CRA) Expands Finance Practice

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*Guler Ann Wiefling Joins CRA As Vice President and Specializes In Advising Clients On Regulatory and Compliance Issues*

BOSTON--(BUSINESS WIRE)--Jun. 5, 2015-- [Charles River Associates](#) (NASDAQ: CRAI), a worldwide leader in providing [economic, financial, and management consulting services](#), today announced that [Guler Ann Wiefling](#) has joined the firm as a vice president in the [Finance Practice](#) based in Houston. Ms. Wiefling advises and assists clients in areas that include complex investigations, litigation, corporate ethics, contract compliance, and risk mitigation strategies.

"It is a pleasure to welcome Guler Ann Wiefling to Charles River Associates," said CRA's President and Chief Executive Officer [Paul Maleh](#). "As CRA actively recruits senior-level hires to help further build out our core offerings, her experience advising Fortune 50 firms in financial and regulatory compliance is an excellent fit with our Finance Practice."

Ms. Wiefling brings a unique perspective to serving her clients, having worked in both industry and consulting for more than 18 years. She has directed and led a variety of projects involving corporate investigations and compliance matters. Her client and project work includes the investigation and remediation of bribery and corruption issues, such as Foreign Corrupt Practices Act (FCPA) matters as well as matters alleging employee misconduct, vendor/employee collusion, kickback schemes, payroll fraud, white-collar crime, corporate compliance, and risk mitigation. She is experienced advising general counsel and outside counsel, boards of directors, and audit committees, as well as senior compliance, financial, information, and operations executives.

Ms. Wiefling also has extensive experience with guiding ongoing development of internal controls, risk mitigation strategies, governance activities, and formulated short and long range plans to promote business advancement. She has established various frameworks around corporate policies and provided training to executives, operations and finance managers, and sales professionals on a global scale. She has developed fraud risk management controls by conducting assessments and implementing controls to help prevent, detect, and deter fraud and misconduct. She provides services to clients ranging from Fortune 50 companies to private companies in industries that include energy, information technology, manufacturing, transportation, and the government sector.

Ms. Wiefling joins CRA from Grant Thornton LLP. She previously spent 10 years at Hewlett-Packard Company in both global investigation and compliance and auditing roles. Ms. Wiefling also has experience as a consultant with KPMG LLP. She holds an MBA degree in Management Information Systems and Finance and a BBA degree in Finance, both from the University of St. Thomas in Houston, Texas. Ms. Wiefling is a Certified Fraud Examiner.

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### **About Charles River Associates (CRA)**

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