



**Press Release
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LAWYERS LEAD THE RACE FROM BANKERS TO BE CITY'S MOST ENTHUSIASTIC RUNNERS

Lawyers are the most physically active set of professionals in the City – according to entries for The Standard Chartered Great City Race, which takes place this Thursday evening at 19.15.

Over 30% of the record 391 companies entering the 5km race are from the legal profession, including major firms such as Allen and Overy LLP and Slaughter and May.

Banking is the second largest sector represented in the race, which is staged entirely within the Square Mile, with leading global firms such as Credit Suisse, RBS Group, and UBS all having teams entered.

Insurance and Media are the two next biggest sectors, while employees within accountancy would appear to be the least enthusiastic runners, with less than 5% of the teams taking part coming from this industry.

This year's race has attracted record numbers of runners, with over 6,000 City based workers having signed up for the innovative event. Competitors will be set on their way by former 110m gold medal-winning hurdler, Colin Jackson and will be joined on the run by television presenter Beverley Turner.

Also taking part in the race, which raises money for Breakthrough Breast Cancer and a number of London-based initiatives, will be members of the England Women's football team and Chris Chataway, who broke the 5000m world record over 50 years ago.

Notes to editors:

Colin Jackson CBE, Beverley Turner and Standard Chartered's European CEO, Brendon Hopkins will all be available for interview on the evening. For interview requests please contact Jonathon Bates on 07825 427461 or at jbates@capitalize.co.uk



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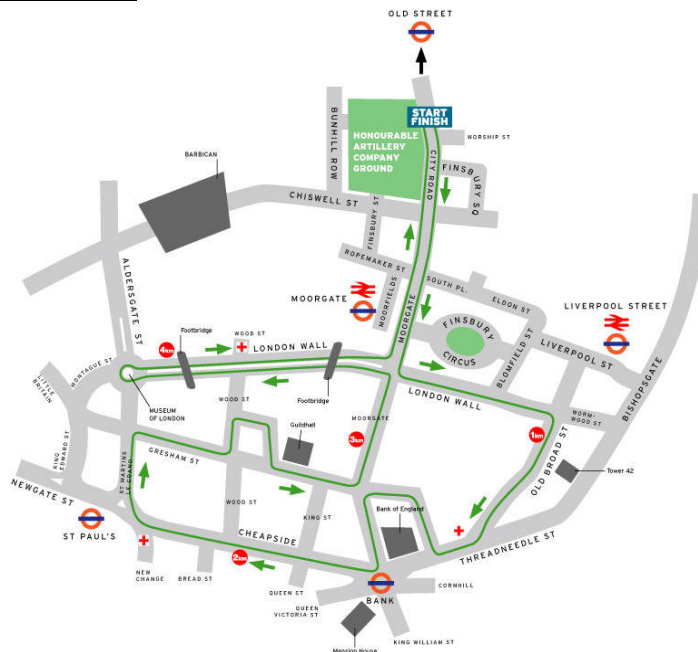
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We would like to encourage as many runners as possible to raise additional funds for this worthy cause by raising your own race sponsorship for the charity.

Fundraising is easy as you can create your very own online fundraising page at www.justgiving.com/cityrace or download a fundraising pack at www.cityrace.co.uk/fundraising/

To find out more about fundraising for Breakthrough call 020 7025 2478 or email running@breakthrough.org.uk

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