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## **PLDW Partner Bruce H. Tobey to Present at the American Society of Civil Engineers Florida Section “Bridging Bold Ideas” Conference**

Boca Raton, FL – May 16, 2016 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC ([PLDW](#)) Partner Bruce H. Tobey, a leading U.S. water law authority and member of the firm’s Municipal Infrastructure Team, has been invited to speak at the American Society of Civil Engineers (ASCE) Florida Section “Bridging Bold Ideas” conference, which will be held July 14 through 16, 2016 at the Omni Jacksonville Hotel, 245 Water Street in Jacksonville, FL. Attorney Tobey will lead a discussion on “The Role of Industry Standards in Selecting Trenchless Technology Rehabilitation Solutions” with co-presenter Bevin A. Beaudet, President of Bevin A. Beaudet, P.E., LLC and former director of the Palm Beach County Water Utilities. Their presentation will explore how the use of practical engineering principles and proven industry standards can guide engineers in the preparation of specifications for sewer lateral restoration projects, where the use of lower cost products may lead to a failed restoration effort by the utility. The Florida Section of the ASCE is the third largest in the country with over 7,000 members. For more information and to register for the conference, please visit <http://www.fla-asce.org/>.

“Trenchless collection system rehabilitation features speed, lower cost, efficiency, and minimal disruption of other nearby underground utilities than full excavation and surface restoration,” explained Attorney Tobey. “But it is important that the chosen trenchless approach reflects sound science and established engineering principles.”

Attorney Tobey is a prominent municipal infrastructure practitioner and nationally recognized as a legal advisor on alternative project delivery models and financing for cities and towns, counties, public authorities and federal agencies, as well as private companies on environmental policy, programs, and financial and regulatory matters with a concentration in water and wastewater infrastructure, public-

private partnerships, and other business development opportunities for sustainable communities. With more than 30 years of both public and private sector experience, Attorney Tobey is a frequent guest speaker at national trade association events, and has testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's P3 Panel.

In addition to his public service as Mayor of Gloucester, MA and law practice, Attorney Tobey is a past Chair of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Committee, and has served on the state's Federal Stimulus Task Force. He is a former President of the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) and served as the 2013 President of its subsidiary, the Massachusetts Municipal Councillors' Association (MMCA), and is a former Chair of the Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Commission (LGAC).

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