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Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West Announces the Promotion of Bruce H. Tobey to Partner

Massachusetts – February 4, 2013 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (PLDW) today announced the promotion of Bruce H. Tobey to Partner. Attorney Tobey joined PLDW in 2011 as a member of the firm’s Municipal Infrastructure Team.

“Bruce has contributed greatly to the vitality of our law firm and our expanding municipal infrastructure practice across the country,” said Teno A. West, Municipal Infrastructure Team Leader. “He brings unique government, legal and business experience to his practice and has strengthened the firm’s capacity to serve our clients and broadened the scope of our municipal infrastructure and municipal law practices.”

Attorney Tobey focuses his practice on representing local and regional governments in the areas of public contracts, water law, solid waste management, environmental law and litigation. He has extensive legal experience advising and representing governments, including municipalities, counties, public authorities and federal agencies, as well as private companies on environmental policy, programs and financial and regulatory matters with a specialty in water and wastewater infrastructure, public-private partnerships and other business development opportunities for sustainable communities.

Prior to joining PLDW, Mr. Tobey was Vice President Business Development for HomeServe USA, leading the company's national campaign to develop public-private partnerships with water and wastewater utilities, and Director of Business Development for the Aquarion Company.

His extensive public service includes participation on numerous Federal Advisory Committees of the United State Environmental Protection Agency and as Chair of the Advisory Council of the National League of Cities. Mr. Tobey is a past member and chair of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Committee, and he had served on the state's Federal Stimulus Task Force.

In January, Attorney Tobey was elected President of the Massachusetts Municipal Councillors' Association (MMCA) for his "innovation and effective leadership." As the MMCA President, Mr. Tobey serves as a member of the Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Commission (LGAC) and a member of the Board of Directors for the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) of which he is a former president. He was mayor of the City of Gloucester, MA from 1993 -2002, and is currently a City Councilor of the City.

Attorney Tobey earned his J.D. from Suffolk University Law School in 1978, and his MBA from Suffolk University in 2005. He graduated with a B.A. from Wesleyan University, majoring in Russian. From 1978 to 1982, he served as Lieutenant in the U.S. Coast Guard Judge Advocate General Corps.

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About Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC

The attorneys and staff at Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (PLDW) are committed to developing practical and cost-effective solutions while also being supportive of the community in a meaningful way. With offices in Rhode Island, Connecticut, Massachusetts, New York and Florida, PLDW has developed a business model that combines international expertise with a more cost-effective delivery system that involves cross training of lawyers and a more practical approach to problem solving. The primary areas of practice for the firm include administrative, corporate and municipal law, civil litigation, employment, government relations, real estate and commercial lending and estate planning and special masterships. The partners demand of themselves and those on the PLDW team, an unparalleled sense of urgency and responsiveness which is derived from an authentic appreciation for their clients and the community in which they serve. For more information, visit www.pldw.com.