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## PLDW Managing Partner Gary R. Pannone Receives National Legal Honor

Providence, RI – October 1, 2015 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (<u>PLDW</u>) Managing Partner Gary R. Pannone has been elected as a Fellow of the American Bar Foundation (ABF). The ABF is the nation's leading research institute for the study of law. Fellows are limited to the top one percent of practitioners in each state and are nominated by their peers.

Established in 1952, the Foundation's mission is to serve the legal profession, the public, and the academy through empirical research, publications and programs that advance justice and the understanding of law and its impact on society. Fellows are elected to the honorary organization for demonstrating outstanding achievements and dedication to the welfare of their communities and to the highest principles of the legal profession. Membership includes lawyers, judges and legal scholars.

Attorney Pannone is a founding member of PLDW. In addition to his role as Managing Partner, he serves as the team leader for the practice areas of health care, corporate and business and nonprofit organizations law. Attorney Pannone is a prominent member of the legal community, and has been honored by his peers and judges with the AV Preeminent rating from Martindale Hubbell, which is the highest rating based on both legal ability and ethics. He has also been recognized by his peers as a leading lawyer in the areas of corporate law and corporate compliance, and health care and nonprofit law by *The Best Lawyers in America®*. In 2014, Attorney Pannone was named Rhode Island's "Lawyer of the Year" by Best Lawyers in his practice areas. For the last eight years, he has been ranked as a Rhode Island *Super Lawyer* in his disciplines. Attorney Pannone earned his bachelor's degree in Finance and Accounting from the University of Notre Dame and his J.D. from Suffolk Law School.

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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. 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. PLDW's primary practice areas include corporate and business law, nonprofit law, health care law, municipal infrastructure, government relations and legislative strategies, employment law, special masterships, criminal defense, civil litigation, estate planning, probate and trust litigation, and real estate development and commercial lending. 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.