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## **PLDW Partner Bruce H. Tobey to Address Legal and Financing Options for Utilities at National Clean Water Conference**

Providence, RI – July 10, 2015 – 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, will participate in a panel discussion addressing legal and financing options for utilities’ project work at the 2015 National Association of Clean Water Agencies (NACWA) Summer Conference and 45th Annual Meeting. The event is being held at the Omni Providence Hotel in Providence, RI from July 13 through 15, 2015. Attorney Tobey will be joined by other distinguished speakers during the conference’s Legal Affairs Committee meeting on Monday, July 13, from 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. To learn more about the conference, visit [www.nacwa.org](http://www.nacwa.org).

The panel discussion will focus on legal considerations for clean water utilities interested in pursuing innovative financing arrangements with the private sector, including public private partnerships. The group will share important legal insights from both the municipal and private perspectives on these financing opportunities.

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 specialty 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 law practice, Attorney Tobey served as the Mayor of Gloucester, MA from 1991-92 and 1994-2002. Other previous public service includes participating 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. He 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 and as Chair of the Advisory Council of the National League of Cities. Attorney Tobey served as the 2008 President of the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) and as the 2013 President of its subsidiary, the Massachusetts Municipal Councillors' Association (MMCA). In addition, Attorney Tobey served as a member and chair of the Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Commission (LGAC) and as a long-time member of the Board of Directors for the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA).

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