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Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West Partner Jay Gowell to Present “Tax Exempt Organizations from Start to Finish” at the NBI Symposium on May 14, 2014

Providence, RI – May 6, 2014 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC ([PLDW](#)) Partner John (Jay) R. Gowell, a veteran business attorney and community leader, has been invited to present at the National Business Institute (NBI) symposium on Wednesday, May 14, 2014, at the Wyndham Garden Providence, 220 India Street, in Providence, RI. Attorney Gowell’s presentation, entitled “Tax Exempt Organizations From Start to Finish,” will include a study of the various IRS 501(c) categories, Sarbanes-Oxley requirements for nonprofits, how to ensure organizational transparency on Form 990, and understanding key provisions in articles of incorporation and bylaws.

The day-long event will provide attendees with an orientation to the legal and tax “nuts and bolts” of exempt organizations, and is recommended for attorneys, CPAs and accountants, nonprofit leaders, tax managers and paralegals. Registration is required, and can be completed by logging on to: [Tax Exempt Organizations from Start to Finish registration](#). The seminar is approved for 8.0 credits for continuing legal and accountancy education.

Attorney Gowell is a member of the firm’s Corporate & Business, Real Estate & Commercial Lending and Nonprofit Organizations Teams. He is also a Special Lecturer in business ethics in the Providence College Graduate School of Business. Attorney Gowell has extensive experience in the areas of corporate law, finance and real estate development in the public and private sectors, and working with nonprofit organizations. He is also a nationally recognized bond counsel, and is listed in the Bond Buyer "Red Book." A recipient of the 8th Annual John Hazen White Sr. Leadership Award for his nonprofit work, Attorney Gowell has served for decades as legal counsel for many charitable and other not-for-profit organizations. Currently, he is a member of the Board of Directors of the Rhode Island Philharmonic Orchestra and Music School, the Board of Trustees of the Greater Providence Chamber of

Commerce and the Brown University Civic Leadership Council. He is also serving as a member of the Rhode Island Sailing Events Commission, appointed by Governor Chafee in 2013.

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