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Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West Earns High Marks in US News – Best Lawyers 2013 "Best Law Firms" Rankings

PLDW Earns Tier 1 Ranking in Seven Practice Areas

Providence, RI – November 2, 2012 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (PLDW) has earned top marks in The U.S. News – Best Lawyers® 2013 “Best Law Firms” in America for the third year in a row. The partnership determines the annual list of distinguished law firms across the country based on a rigorous review and evaluation of a collection of information including client and peer evaluations. PLDW was recognized in a total of 15 practice areas in the metropolitan area/Rhode Island.

“The PLDW attorneys continue to excel at providing exceptional service to their clients,” said Gary R. Pannone, Principal and Managing Partner. “We are very proud that our peers, and more importantly, our clients, have recognized us for our dedication, commitment and outstanding service.”

PLDW earned Tier 1 recognition for Rhode Island firms in the areas of Corporate Compliance Law; Criminal Defense: White-Collar; Governmental Investigations; Criminal Defense: White-Collar - Litigation; Government Relations Practice; Litigation - Labor & Employment and Non-Profit/Charities Law.

The U.S. firms named to this year’s list signals that they offer a unique combination of excellence and breadth of expertise, according to the U.S. News Media Group. The U.S. News –

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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.