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Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West Attorney Bruce H. Tobey to Lead Roundtable Panel at the 2012 American Water Summit, Nov. 14

Providence, Rhode Island – November 8, 2012 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (PLDW) Senior Counsel Bruce H. Tobey will co-moderator a roundtable panel on "Alternative Funding Tools and Structures for Water Infrastructure" at the American Water Summit 2012: *Business Models For The Future* conference to be held Nov. 14 and 15 at the Intercontinental O'Hare Hotel at the Chicago Airport. Attorney Tobey will be joined by Kathy Shandling, Executive Director, of the International Private Water Association (IPWA) at 3 pm on Nov. 14. The annual conference attracts a prestigious group of professionals from across the nation including senior water utility leaders, investors, engineering executives and water technology specialists.

"As water and sewer utilities face increasing infrastructure investment requirements, they simultaneously confront constrained resources and limited capital," said Attorney Tobey. "The traditional design-bid-build and bond approach offers inadequate relief. Our roundtable will explore alternative project delivery and financing models that offer innovative paths toward meeting those growing needs."

Attorney Tobey is a member of PLDW's Municipal Infrastructure Team and 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. Mr. Tobey presently serves as a City Councilor for the City of Gloucester, MA where he was Mayor from 1993 until 2002.

His extensive experience includes participation on numerous Federal Advisory Committees of the United State Environmental Protection Agency, as President of the Massachusetts Municipal Association, and as Chair of the Advisory Council of the National League of Cities. Mr. Tobey is also 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.

To learn more about the conference, log onto [American Water Summit](#) For more information about the firm's Municipal Infrastructure Team, contact Mr. Tobey at btobey@pldw.com or call (401) 824-5121. To learn more about PLDW, contact David C. Sweet, Director of Administration, at dsweet@pldw.com or call 401-824-5100, or visit www.pldw.com.

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