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PLDW Partner Bruce H. Tobey to Present at National Council for Public-Private Partnerships Conference, "P3 Connect: Defining the Future of P3S in the U.S."

White Plains, NY – July 16, 2014 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & West LLC (<u>PLDW</u>) Partner Bruce H. Tobey, a member of the firm's Municipal Infrastructure Team and nationally recognized legal advisor on alternative project delivery models and financing, will lead an in-depth discussion on how to assess, analyze and determine the right funding option for public projects at the National Council for Public-Private Partnerships (NCPPP) Conference, "P3 Connect: Defining the Future of P3S in the U.S.," to be held July 28 to 30 in Denver, CO.

Attorney Tobey's presentation, "Financing: Traditional versus Private" on Tuesday, July 29 from 10:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m., will explore various methods of financing public projects and the need to increase the focus on the consideration and use of public-private partnerships (P3s) to achieve the highest value. Attorney Tobey is considered a leading authority in his practice area and recently testified before the U.S. House of Representatives Transportation and Infrastructure Committee's P3 Panel.

The NCPPP conference will bring together public officials, industry leaders, and corporate executives from across the country to discuss the current state of P3 projects and to examine case studies, trends in federal and state policies regarding P3s, and new areas where P3s are being utilized. For more information about the conference, visit P3 Connect.

"For many public utility leaders, pursuing a P3 begins by weighing the cost of financing a project and having a clear understanding of available funding options," said Attorney Tobey. "The key is to follow the analysis of each option to maximize the value. I am pleased to join this prestigious group of public and private sector innovators and contribute my practical experience and insight to this very important discussion on the benefits and future of P3 project development models in the U.S."

Attorney Tobey has more than 30 years of both public and private sector experience assisting 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. He is a leading U.S. water law authority and frequent guest speaker at national trade association events.

The PLDW Municipal Infrastructure Team delivers responsive, cost-effective and strategic legal counsel and guidance to states, counties, municipalities and public authorities across the country seeking solutions to complex infrastructure needs. The firm's municipal infrastructure attorneys are at the forefront of new developments in efficient methodologies for water and sewer treatment, solid waste management, municipal buildings, recreational facilities, and other public infrastructure projects. The Team draws upon in-depth experience in multiple areas of law, as well as public finance, project management, real estate, contract maintenance and other disciplines to solve complicated legal issues on municipal projects from conception to completion. Whether a project involves financing, structuring contract documents, design-build, design-build-operate or the design of comprehensive public-private partnerships as it relates to a public project, PLDW attorneys deliver the fullest range of legal services to clients nationwide.

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