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PLDW Partner Bruce H. Tobey Responds to “Ask the Experts” on the Flint Water Crisis and its National Implications in *Sustainabulletin*

Boston, MA – March 21, 2016 – 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, is featured in this month’s edition of The Horinko Group’s [Sustainabulletin](#) “Ask the Experts” column. In a three-part Q&A format, Attorney Tobey offers his insight on the Flint, MI water crisis and what the larger implications might be for the nation’s water infrastructure. The Horinko Group is a national organization that advocates for efficiency, sustainability and holistic solutions based on cutting-edge science and sound business practice.

“For better or worse, the Flint fiasco has kicked the door wide open on a national discussion of the water infrastructure funding gap, and there’s no closing that door,” states Attorney Tobey. “The newly widespread national consciousness of the adverse health impacts of failing water systems gives me hope that a long-overdue solution will finally be crafted.” To read the entire interview, click [here](#).

Other thought leaders interviewed for the article are Brent Fewell, founder of Earth & Water Group and former Principal Deputy Assistant Administrator in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) Office of Water, and Tracy Mehan III, executive director for Government Affairs, American Water Works Association, and former Assistant Administrator of the U.S. EPA’s Office of Water and principal for the environmental consulting firm The Cadmus Group.

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 concentration 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 public service as Mayor of Gloucester and law practice, Attorney Tobey is a past Chair of the Commonwealth of Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Committee, and has served on the state's Federal Stimulus Task Force. He was the 2008 President of the Massachusetts Municipal Association (MMA) and served as the 2013 President of its subsidiary, the Massachusetts Municipal Councillors' Association (MMCA), and is a former Chair of the Massachusetts Local Government Advisory Commission (LGAC).

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