Robinson+Cole Expands Real Estate Practice in Boston

**Firm welcomes Jessica Bardi and Michael Lipson as associates**

Robinson+Cole is pleased to announce the addition of Jessica D. Bardi and Michael A. Lipson as associates in the firm’s Real Estate + Development Group. Ms. Bardi concentrates her practice on land use and environmental law and related litigation and Mr. Lipson focuses his practice on advising developers and lenders in all phases of commercial real estate transactions. Both are resident in the firm’s Boston office.

Ms. Bardi counsels developers, landowners, businesses, and other organizations on local, state and national land use and environmental regulations, and represents them in permitting for development projects. She has experience with zoning, planning, subdivision, local and state wetlands permitting, Chapter 91 licensing, the Massachusetts Environmental Policy Act, Army Corps of Engineers permitting, NPDES permitting and Chapter 21E. Ms. Bardi has appeared on behalf of clients in a broad range of proceedings, including wetlands permitting appeals and land use disputes in front of the Massachusetts Superior Court, Massachusetts Land Court, Massachusetts Department of Environmental Protection, and local Conservation Commissions, Planning Boards and Zoning Boards of Appeals.

With an emphasis on transactions involving commercial and mixed-use properties, Mr. Lipson advises developers on the acquisition, financing, and leasing of commercial and mixed-use properties, using a number of different agreements (purchase and sale agreements, reciprocal easement agreements, and contribution agreements). He also advises commercial mortgage lenders on the financing of real estate transactions for existing commercial and mixed-use properties and how best to structure financing packages for construction on undeveloped and underdeveloped land. Mr. Lipson further assists his clients in complex title issue resolution, survey matter review, and drafting and reviewing matters including opinions on authority, loan agreements, and guaranties for loans.