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Robinson & Cole Receives 32 First-Tier Metropolitan Rankings and Four National Rankings in *U.S.News* - Best Lawyers Survey

HARTFORD, CT (November 6, 2012) – Connecticut-based law firm Robinson & Cole received 32 first-tier rankings, including 27 in the city of Hartford, in the 2013 "Best Law Firms" list from *U.S.News & World Report*.

The firm also received four national rankings, including Tier 2 rankings for Information Technology Law and Litigation–Construction, and Tier 3 rankings for Land Use & Zoning Law and Real Estate Law.

The rankings are presented in tiers, either in the national list or metropolitan area, by practice area. The 2013 national rankings cover 80 practice areas, while the metropolitan lists cover as many as 118 practice areas. Both rankings are based on surveys in which major clients and lawyers were asked to rate the law firms they consider best in their practice area.

The <u>U.S. News - Best Lawyers Best Law Firms website</u> reports that the "... rankings are based on a rigorous evaluation process that includes the collection of client and lawyer evaluations, peer reviews from leading attorneys in their field, and review of additional information provided by law firms as part of the formal submission process... Clients were asked to provide feedback on firm practice groups, using a scale of 1 (weakest) to 5 (strongest), addressing expertise, responsiveness, understanding of a business and its needs, cost-effectiveness, civility, and whether they would refer another client to the firm..."

Robinson & Cole achieved first-tier metropolitan rankings in the following practice areas:

Hartford - Tier 1

Appellate Practice Commercial Litigation Construction Law

Corporate Law

Criminal Defense: White-Collar - Governmental Investigation

Criminal Defense: White-Collar - Litigation

Environmental Law Equipment Finance Law Health Care Law

Insurance Law

Land Use & Zoning Law Litigation - Antitrust

Litigation - Banking & Finance

Litigation – Construction

Litigation – Eminent Domain & Condemnation





Litigation - Environmental

Litigation - Intellectual Property

Litigation - Land Use & Zoning

Litigation - Real Estate

Litigation - Tax

Litigation - Trusts & Estates

Mergers & Acquisitions Law

Public Finance Law

Real Estate Law

Securities/Capital Markets Law

Tax Law

Trusts & Estates Law

New London - Tier 1

Land Use & Zoning Law

Stamford - Tier 1

Securities/Capital Markets Law

Boston - Tier 1

Information Technology Law

Rhode Island - Tier 1

Energy Law

Insurance Law

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