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Robinson+Cole Celebrates Five Years in Providence

Law firm reflects on how its presence and connections have grown within the business and local arts community

PROVIDENCE, RI (August 1, 2014) – In five short years, Robinson+Cole has turned a small office into a thriving force in the Providence business community. Since the firm opened its office at One Financial Plaza in April 2009, the team of lawyers has doubled, and all of them are deeply connected to the community.

“From the beginning, being part of the thread of the Providence community, working with other business, civic, and community leaders, was important to us. But beyond those working relationships, it was also important for us to give back and support the local community,” said Patricia J. Igoe, a partner in the firm’s Providence office. “Supporting the local arts community is part of that focus, and all of the new artwork we have purchased since opening has been from local artists.”

Walk into the Robinson+Cole office and many of the paintings and sculptures decorating the space are creations of Rhode Island artists. The firm works solely with Catherine Little Bert of Bert Gallery to find pieces from local artists that suit the office space. It even has a catalog of all the artwork in its collection created by local artists.

“As our team in Providence continues to grow, we recently expanded our office space. This coincided with our five-year anniversary, and we are thrilled that this provides another opportunity to showcase more local artists,” said Ms. Igoe.

The Providence office is an annual sponsor of AS220, which serves as “a local forum and home for the arts through the maintenance of residential and work studios, galleries, performance, and educational spaces.” Additionally, the office supports Grow Smart, provides pro bono legal services in the area, and participated in Robinson+Cole’s firmwide Summer of Service program that sent lawyers and staff to volunteer with organizations that provide essential resources for people in need; the Providence organizations were the Rhode Island Community Food Bank and the Nature Conservancy.

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