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Chambers USA Recognizes Robinson+Cole Lawyers and Practice Groups

15 Connecticut lawyers recognized and firm earns rankings in all Connecticut practice areas

HARTFORD, CT (May 8, 2018) – The legal directory *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* has recognized the law firm of Robinson+Cole in all six practice area categories that *Chambers USA* covers in Connecticut in its 2018 edition and has individually recognized 15 of the firm's Connecticut's lawyers.

Robinson+Cole earned rankings in the following practice areas: Corporate/M&A, Environment, Healthcare, Labor & Employment, Litigation: General Commercial, and Real Estate.

Chambers USA 2018 also includes recognition of the following Robinson+Cole lawyers in the designated categories of law:

- **Connecticut Corporate/M&A** – Eric M. Kogan, Richard A. Krantz
- **Connecticut Environment** – Earl W. Phillips Jr.
- **Connecticut Healthcare** – Lisa M. Boyle, Brian D. Nichols, Theodore J. Tucci
- **Connecticut Labor & Employment** – Bruce B. Barth, Britt-Marie K. Cole-Johnson, Alice E. DeTora
- **Connecticut Litigation: General Commercial** – Bradford S. Babbitt
- **Connecticut Litigation: White-Collar Crime & Government Investigations** – James A. Wade
- **Connecticut Real Estate** – Garry C. Berman, Steven L. Elbaum
- **Connecticut Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use** – Dwight H. Merriam, Edward V. O'Hanlan

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Chambers USA Recognizes Robinson+Cole Lawyer

Boston lawyer Brian Blaesser recognized in the area of real estate

BOSTON, MA (May 4, 2018) – The legal directory *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* has recognized Robinson+Cole Real Estate + Development Group lawyer [Brian W. Blaesser](#) in the Massachusetts Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use category of its 2018 edition.

Mr. Blaesser practices in the areas of commercial real estate development and redevelopment, leasing, land use law, environmental and renewable energy law, and condemnation law. He represents real estate owners, investors, and developers in analyzing and securing requisite land use and development approvals from local governments, and negotiating and drafting development agreements. Mr. Blaesser structures public/private partnerships with state and local governments on behalf of landowner and developer clients and is experienced in utilizing public financing mechanisms such as special assessment districts (SADs) and tax increment financing (TIF) to achieve economic development objectives. He is also a LEED Accredited Professional (LEED AP BD+C) and has been awarded the Counselor of Real Estate (CRE®) designation.

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Chambers USA Recognizes Robinson+Cole Lawyers

Providence lawyers Linn Freedman and Patricia Igoe recognized

PROVIDENCE, RI (May 8, 2018) – The legal directory *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* has recognized two lawyers from Robinson+Cole's Providence office in its 2018 edition: Data Privacy + Cybersecurity Group lawyer [Linn F. Freedman](#) and Finance Group lawyer [Patricia J. Igoe](#).

Ms. Freedman, chair of Robinson+Cole's Data Privacy + Cybersecurity Group, received nationwide recognition in the Privacy & Data Security category. She practices in data privacy and security law, cybersecurity, and complex litigation. Ms. Freedman provides guidance on data privacy and cybersecurity compliance to a full range of public and private clients across all industries. She currently serves as general counsel to the Rhode Island Quality Institute, a not for profit organization that administers one of the first statewide health information exchanges, and is a member of the Cyber Rhode Island Advisory Committee.

Ms. Igoe, Partner in Charge of Robinson+Cole's Providence office, received recognition in the Rhode Island Corporate/Commercial: Banking & Finance category. Her practice is primarily focused on commercial and corporate finance, asset-based lending, and other secured and unsecured lending transactions. She is particularly well known for her legal work in the precious metal, jewelry, and electronic industries, where she represents lenders and commercial users of precious metals in connection with the financing of precious metal consignments, precious metal refineries, and jewelry manufacturing. Ms. Igoe's real estate practice focuses on commercial real estate acquisitions and financing, permitting, development, and leasing.

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Robinson+Cole Lawyer Receives Nationwide Recognition in *Chambers USA*

Linn Freedman recognized in the area of privacy & data security

PROVIDENCE, RI (May 8, 2018) – The legal directory *Chambers USA: America's Leading Lawyers for Business* has recognized Robinson+Cole Data Privacy + Cybersecurity Team leader [Linn F. Freedman](#) in the Nationwide: Privacy & Data Security category of its 2018 edition. This is the seventh consecutive year Ms. Freedman has received this distinction.

Ms. Freedman practices in data privacy and security law, cybersecurity, and complex litigation. She provides guidance on data privacy and cybersecurity compliance to a full range of public and private clients across all industries. Ms. Freedman helps clients comply with all state and federal data privacy and security laws and regulations, and she counsels them on state and federal data privacy and security investigations. She has given presentations around the country on data privacy and cybersecurity, and writes extensively, including in her role as lead author of the firm's award-winning [Data Privacy + Cybersecurity Insider](#) blog.

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