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## Robinson+Cole Bolsters Health Law Practice with Two New Lawyers

*Melissa (Lisa) Thompson joins as a partner to expand health law practice in Massachusetts and Rhode Island, Erica Youngerman joins as an associate in the New York office*

PROVIDENCE, RI (July 29, 2016) – Robinson+Cole’s Health Law Group welcomes [Melissa \(Lisa\) Thompson](#) as a partner in the firm’s Boston and Providence offices and [Erica S. Youngerman](#) as an associate in the firm’s New York office. Ms. Thompson will be working closely with Lisa M. Boyle, chair of the firm’s Health Law Group, and fellow partners Leslie J. Levinson and Brian R. Nichols in continuing to expand the firm’s health care practice in Massachusetts and Rhode Island.

“It is very exciting to welcome Lisa and Erica to our firm,” said Stephen E. Goldman, managing partner of Robinson+Cole. “Our health law group has a strong presence in the Northeast, and adding Lisa and Erica to the team will allow us to better serve our clients’ needs, especially in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, and New York.”

Ms. Thompson was previously with LeClairRyan and formerly served as chief counsel for the U.S. manufacturing division of an international medical device and dialysis services corporation. She also served as in-house counsel for a major academic health care institution.

“We are thrilled to have Lisa join our dynamic team and be an additional resource for our clients” said Ms. Boyle. “Lisa’s experiences expand and further strengthen the breadth of services we can provide our health care and life sciences clients, who face an increasingly complex legal and regulatory environment.”

Ms. Thompson advises companies, their senior management, and boards of directors on matters across the spectrum of health care and life sciences regulatory law. She has extensive experience in corporate law and commercial contracting, government investigations and audits, administrative and federal court appeals, managed care disputes and contracting, clinical research law, reimbursement, Medicare and Medicaid, state and federal surveys and termination actions, pharmacy and compounding laws, fraud and abuse, Stark law, anti-kickback law, federal program exclusions, and privacy and security (HIPAA/HITECH). Her life sciences experience includes FDA regulatory matters, product recalls and claims, FDA citizen petitions and appeals, labeling review, advertising and



marketing compliance, drug and device reimbursement, clinical research agreements, OEM, and commercial contracting. She is admitted to practice in Massachusetts, Rhode Island, Maryland, and the District of Columbia.

Ms. Youngerman focuses her practice in the areas of health law and health care business transactions. She regularly advises clients on contracting, corporate formation and structuring, and corporate governance documentation. Ms. Youngerman has experience performing regulatory analysis of proposed and existing corporate structures, relationships, and agreements to assess their compliance with state and federal laws and regulations. She also has experience representing individual health care professionals. She is admitted to practice in New York and New Jersey.

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