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Robinson & Cole Real Estate Attorney Appointed to National Trust for Historic Preservation Board of Advisors

STAMFORD, CT (October 22, 2010) – The National Trust for Historic Preservation has appointed Robinson & Cole Real Estate Practice Group counsel Charles E. Janson to its national board of advisors. During this three-year appointment beginning October 2010, Mr. Janson will provide guidance on important preservation issues and participate in activities to support the National Trust for Historic Preservation.

The National Trust for Historic Preservation board of trustees established a national board of advisors in 1966 to increase the National Trust's contact with state and local constituents. The advisors provide the National Trust with a network of more than 100 volunteer preservation leaders with two representatives from each state. They represent the skills, interests, backgrounds, accomplishments, and diverse constituencies involved in preservation in the United States. Selected after consultation with preservation partners, they offer assistance to the National Trust through their skills, knowledge, and familiarity with their local and regional resources, leaders, media, and community organizations. Advisors provide counsel on emerging trends and concerns and have stimulated the creation of program activities for many issues, including diversity, the recent past, heritage education, tourism, and economic development.

Mr. Janson's practice focuses on real estate and land use law. He is involved in land conservation with the National Park Service's historic property of Weir Farm in Wilton and Ridgefield, Connecticut. He is a board member of the Connecticut Trust for Historic Preservation and the Museum Trustee Association, a national organization that trains individuals to be effective board members of museums. He has worked *pro bono* for the National Trust on real property tax exemptions for the Philip Johnson Glass House in New Canaan, and more recently on land acquisition and conservation easements establishment to protect important viewsheds of the Glass House and with the New Canaan Planning Commission on the museum's special permit. Mr. Janson has experience in museum development and operations, land trust acquisitions, and developing ownership affordable housing in Fairfield County for a nonprofit. He received his B.A., *cum laude*, in English and environmental studies from Williams College and his J.D., with honors, from the University of Connecticut. Mr. Janson is admitted to practice in the state of Connecticut.

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