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Robinson+Cole Earns Rankings in *Chambers USA 2014* in all Connecticut Practice Areas

The legal directory recognizes 21 lawyers individually in Connecticut, Massachusetts, and Rhode Island

HARTFORD, CT (May 29, 2014) – The legal directory *Chambers USA: America’s Leading Lawyers for Business* has recognized Robinson+Cole in six practice area categories in its 2014 edition and has individually recognized 21 of the firm’s lawyers, including three labor and employment lawyers who are ranked for the first time, one as an "Associate to Watch."

Adding the Labor & Employment ranking this year gives Robinson+Cole rankings in all the practice areas that *Chambers USA* covers in Connecticut: Corporate/M&A, Environment, Healthcare, Labor & Employment, Litigation: General Commercial, and Real Estate.

“Earning a *Chambers* ranking in Labor & Employment this year is proof that the strategic efforts of growing and strengthening our practice are working,” said Bruce B. Barth, chair of the Labor, Employment, Benefits + Immigration Group. “We are thrilled that our team has joined the firm’s other major practices in earning this recognition from our clients and the industry for our skills and client-focused service model.”

The labor and employment ranking comes on the heels of welcoming to the group partner Natale V. Di Natale, a well-recognized labor and employment lawyer with a strong client base in the Connecticut market to head the firm’s labor practice, and labor counsel Peter A. Dagostine in August of 2012, as well as three employment and labor associates in the last two years. The group continues to pursue opportunities and recently welcomed to its ranks partner Matthew T. Miklave, a 30-year labor professional, to anchor the labor and employment practice in the firm’s Stamford and New York offices.

The following lists the Robinson+Cole lawyers included in *Chambers USA 2014*, as well as the state and the category of law in which they are ranked:
- **Connecticut Corporate/M&A** – Eric J. Dale (Stamford), Richard A. Krantz (Stamford), John B. Lynch, Jr. (Hartford)

- **Connecticut Environment** – Pamela K. Elkow (Stamford), Earl W. Phillips, Jr. (Hartford), James P. Ray (Hartford)

- **Connecticut Healthcare** – Lisa M. Boyle (Hartford), Theodore J. Tucci (Hartford)

- **Connecticut Labor & Employment** – Bruce B. Barth (Hartford, ranked for the first time), Britt-Marie K. Cole-Johnson (Hartford, listed for the first time as an “Associate to Watch”), Alice E. DeTora (Hartford, ranked for the first time)

- **Connecticut Litigation: General Commercial** – Bradford S. Babbitt (Hartford), Craig A. Raabe (Hartford), James A. Wade (Hartford)

- **Connecticut Real Estate** – Garry C. Berman (Hartford), Steven L. Elbaum (Stamford), Dwight H. Merriam (Hartford), Edward V. O’Hanlan (Stamford)

- **Massachusetts Real Estate** – Carla M. Moynihan (Boston)

- **Massachusetts Real Estate: Zoning/Land Use** – Brian W. Blaesser (Boston)

- **Rhode Island Corporate/Commercial: Banking & Finance** – Patricia J. Igoe (Providence)

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