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Mike Connolly Joins Rubin and Rudman's Boston Office
Former Mintz, Levin Lawyer to Co-chair Litigation Department

Boston (January 1, 2017) – Rubin and Rudman LLP is pleased to announce that **Michael F. Connolly** has joined its Boston office as a Partner and Co-chair of the Litigation Department. Connolly's arrival signals the firm's intentions to grow its business and commercial litigation practice. Connolly is the fifteenth lawyer to join Rubin and Rudman in 2016, continuing the law firm's upward trend of growth and significant talent acquisition. Connolly moves to Rubin and Rudman after 27 years at Mintz, Levin, Cohn, Ferris, Glovsky and Popeo, P.C.

A highly accomplished litigator with extensive trial experience, Mike's own business litigation practice encompasses a broad range of commercial litigation areas, including shareholder disputes, real estate litigation, corporate compliance, internal investigations, financial and securities fraud, government investigations and enforcement, management disputes and professional malpractice, among other areas. Partners working closely with Mike include former Massachusetts Appeals Court Associate Justice **Janis M. Berry** and former Greenberg Traurig securities litigation and white collar defense attorney **Evan Georgopoulos**. Both Janis Berry, who spent fifteen years on the bench after several years serving as an Assistant United States Attorney in Boston, and Evan Georgopoulos, joined Rubin and Rudman earlier this year. Under Connolly's leadership, as well as that of fellow Co-chair **John J. McGivney**, the Litigation Department is expected to grow through additional hires in 2017.

"This was a huge decision for me," says Connolly. "After spending my entire career at Mintz, where I have many friends whom I admire and deeply respect, I took the plunge and accepted John [DeTore]'s offer. Here, I am being given the opportunity to build-up the litigation practice group and have an opportunity to participate in the management and growth of such a well-established, venerable Boston firm. It's truly exciting."

“We are thrilled to have Mike with us,” said **John A. DeTore**, Administrative Chair of the Executive Committee. “Mike will be a major asset to our firm. He’s a truly exceptional litigator with a superb track record of winning and resolving lawsuits making the headlines. Mike’s a stand-up guy with intellectual firepower who’s deeply committed to his clients.” Adds department co-chair **McGivney**, “I look forward to working closely with Mike. He is a great lawyer who further enhances our firm’s already strong litigation practice.” McGivney added, “With Mike on board, our platform of business and commercial litigation services expands phenomenally.”

As a frequent speaker at continuing legal education seminars and conferences, Mike is committed to improving the legal profession and his clients. For the past ten years, Mike has co-chaired the MCLE Annual Business Litigation Conference, where he presents an overview of the most significant business litigation decisions from the prior year. Each year, Mike also contributes to the ABA Business Law Section’s annual edition of Recent Developments in Business and Corporate Litigation. Mike has long been a mentor to others in the legal profession and a trusted advisor to many in the business community.

Since 2006, Mike has served on the Board of Directors of the Robert F. Kennedy Children’s Action Corps. He is on the President’s Council of Providence College, is a member of the Alumni Board of Directors at Xaverian Brothers High School and has been active with a number of other non-profit schools and organizations aimed at protecting the health, education and welfare of children and families at risk. Mike Connolly earned his law degree from Suffolk University and his undergraduate degree from Providence College and began his legal career as a law clerk and chief law clerk to the Justices of the Massachusetts Superior Court.

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