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***Benchmark Litigation 2012 Recognizes Six Robinson & Cole Attorneys***

**HARTFORD, CT** (December 15, 2011) – *Benchmark Litigation 2012*, a peer review guide published by Euromoney’s Legal Media Group, has recognized Robinson & Cole as a leading litigation firm in Connecticut. *Benchmark* is the only publication on the market to focus exclusively on litigation in the U.S. For the second year, *Benchmark* has also recognized Robinson & Cole lawyers Bradford S. Babbitt, Linda L. Morkan, James A. Wade, and Ronald W. Zdrojeski as “local litigation stars.” Additionally, litigators Craig A. Raabe and Joseph L. Clasen were recognized as “future stars” in Connecticut, indicating they are likely to be named litigation stars in future editions.

Business Litigation Group Chair **Bradford S. Babbitt** represents business clients in disputes arising from all forms of commercial relationships, tortious conduct, intellectual property, and regulatory oversight.

Appellate Group Chair **Linda L. Morkan** maintains a litigation practice dedicated to appellate advocacy. Recognized by her peers as one of the premier appellate practitioners in Connecticut, Ms. Morkan was elected as a member of the American Academy of Appellate Lawyers in 2008.

Criminal defense attorney **James A. Wade** has tried cases in courts around the country for more than 45 years and continues to be relied upon by businesses facing high stakes litigation.

Business litigation partner **Ronald W. Zdrojeski** has practiced, litigated, and/or tried cases in 48 of the 50 states, as well as in the Commonwealth of Puerto Rico, and brings a deep knowledge of class actions to his litigation practice.

Litigation partner **Craig A. Raabe** has tried many complex civil and criminal cases and is a Fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers.

Litigation partner **Joseph L. Clasen** has extensive experience litigating a wide variety of complex business disputes in state and federal trial and appellate courts, as well as in arbitrations.

*Benchmark’s* rankings and editorials are the result of extensive interviews with private practice lawyers and in-house counsel. Supplementary firm information is also submitted in the form of a questionnaire. The guide’s “local litigation stars” reflect lawyers who are recommended by peers and clients as having consistent reputations as trial attorneys. *Benchmark’s* independent research is conducted annually between February and June. A description of *Benchmark’s* methodology can be found at [www.benchmarklitigation.com](http://www.benchmarklitigation.com).

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