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Law Firm Expands Lobbying Practice to New York

Robinson & Cole Opens Office in Albany and Adds Director of Government Relations

Albany — November 29, 2007 — The law firm of Robinson & Cole is pleased to announce the opening of their third office in New York State at 111 Washington Avenue in Albany. The Albany office will be residence to the firm's new Director of New York Government Relations, Christine Rutigliano, who will be joining Andrew Roffe, Partner of the firm's Administrative Practice Group.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Rutigliano held the position of Deputy Comptroller in the New York Office of the State Comptroller (OSC). She has nearly 15 years of experience working for the New York State Legislature, spending time in both the upper and lower houses.

As Director of New York Government Relations, she will be responsible for guiding clients through their interactions with all levels of state and local government. More specifically, she will be actively engaged in the monitoring and negotiating rules, regulations and legislative proposals and identifying and accessing new points of interface for project development and the advancement of client initiatives.

"We are thrilled to have Chris joining our team and her presence in our Albany office will help Robinson & Cole expand our government relations capabilities in New York," comments Roffe.

Ms. Rutigliano received her Bachelor of Science degree in Political Science and Economics from the State University of New York at Oneonta and her Masters' Degree, summa cum laude, in Public Policy at Marist College

Andrew S. Roffe has been practicing law in New York City since 1972. Mr. Roffe was admitted to the New York State Bar in 1972. He graduated from Colgate University with a B.A. in 1968 and received a J.D. from Columbia University School of Law in 1971.



Andrew Roffe, Robinson & Cole Partner and Chair of the firm's Administrative Practice Group and Robinson & Cole's new Director of New York Government Relations, Christine Rutigliano, in front of the Albany Capitol.

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