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Robinson+Cole Honored as “Volunteer of the Year” by Pro Bono Partnership

*Hartford Partner Stephen W. Aronson recognized for individual volunteerism*

HARTFORD, CT (May 2, 2019) – Robinson+Cole was honored with the “Volunteer of the Year” distinction by the Pro Bono Partnership (the Partnership) during an event hosted by the organization in celebration of volunteer lawyers who provided free legal services to nonprofit organizations throughout Connecticut in 2018. In addition to the firm’s Hartford law department being recognized, employment litigator and counselor [Stephen W. Aronson](mailto:Stephen.W.Aronson@rc.com) was presented with an individual “Volunteer of the Year” honor for his outstanding individual contributions. This is the first time the Partnership has had an individual honoree come from the law firm honoree.

Priya Morganstern, Director of the Partnership’s Connecticut Program in the Hartford office, wrote that these selections “speak volumes about the depth of commitment at Robinson+Cole.”

Ms. Morganstern went on to say that she “nominated Robinson+Cole because of its sustained, multi-year commitment to our program; the number of projects its attorneys have taken; their willingness to jump in quickly if necessary; the high quality of their work; and the Firm’s generosity and graciousness in hosting our program in its offices for almost eleven years now. Really, the support Robinson+Cole has provided to our program is extraordinary.”

In a similar manner, she lauded Mr. Aronson for “responding to the smallest questions or the most significant, challenging issues in a timely, efficient, and enthusiastic way. He has helped so many nonprofits and has done it so well. He is a true partner.” The Partnership noted that Mr. Aronson’s employment experience is in high demand given that more than 25 percent of the Partnership’s matters are employment-related.

Each year, more than 250 corporations and law firms and as many as 1,400 individual attorneys respond to the Pro Bono Partnership’s call to provide free legal assistance to its clients, nonprofit organizations serving the poor or providing other important social and community services in Connecticut, New Jersey and New York.

In any given year, the dedication of some volunteers rises well above the ordinary, distinguished by the complexity or transformative nature of a pro bono project, the extraordinary responsiveness of a volunteer or volunteers, or the
sheer volume of matters or time committed to pro bono service through the Partnership. It is the Partnership’s practice to celebrate the commitment of these extraordinary volunteers by naming them Volunteers of the Year.

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