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**Robinson & Cole Attorney Elected to Board of Directors  
of the Village for Families & Children, Inc.**

**HARTFORD, CT** (April 2, 2010) – Robinson & Cole is proud to announce that Immigration partner Joshua S. Mirer has been elected to the Board of Directors of the Village for Families & Children, Inc. In his newly elected capacity, Mr. Mirer contributes leadership support to further the agency’s three core service areas: placement and permanency (adoption, foster care, and family preservation), treatment, and family and community support.

Mr. Mirer has dedicated his practice to the area of U.S. immigration law, focusing on business immigration. He advises employers regarding nonimmigrant and immigrant visas for their employees and prepares visa petitions for submission to the U.S. Citizenship and Immigration Services (USCIS).

A regular speaker and author, Mr. Mirer recently served as a faculty member for Sterling Educational Services’ immigration series in Boston, Hartford, and Long Island and is a speaker for the Connecticut Business & Industry Association and the Connecticut Bar Association. He was published as a coauthor of a chapter on immigration compliance in 2008 for a Matthew Bender publication.

A committed community volunteer, Mr. Mirer also serves as outside immigration counsel for the Children’s Advocacy Center at the University of Connecticut School of Law.

Mr. Mirer received his B.A., *magna cum laude*, in psychology from Lehman College of the City University of New York, his M.Ed. in marriage and family therapy from Springfield College, and his J.D., with honors, from Western New England College School of Law. Mr. Mirer is a resident of Longmeadow, Massachusetts.

**More about the Village**

The Village for Families & Children, Inc., a private, Connecticut nonprofit human services agency founded in 1809, is committed to building a community of strong, healthy families who protect and nurture children. Through its work with children and families, the Village has emerged as a preeminent mental health/human service agency serving the Hartford region and the state of Connecticut.

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