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## Robinson+Cole Promotes Nine Lawyers to Counsel

*Associates elevated in Boston, Hartford, and New York offices*

HARTFORD, CT (December 17, 2018) – Robinson+Cole is pleased to announce the promotion of nine associates to counsel, effective January 1, 2019. The new counsel are J. Tyler Butts, Karla L. Chaffee, Kevin P. Daly, Marc E. Haas, Soo Y. Kim, Matthew P. Mazzola, Emilee Mooney Scott, Taylor A. Shea, and Jovana Vujovic.

“Each of these lawyers has significantly enhanced some of our core practices in three of our key markets,” said [Stephen E. Goldman](#), Robinson+Cole’s Managing Partner. “The elevation of this group furthers the development of our lawyers and the firm’s continued success in these strategic areas. It’s my pleasure to congratulate our new counsel on their well-deserved advancement.”

### New Counsel

[J. Tyler Butts](#) – Mr. Butts represents the insurance industry in complex first-party property insurance coverage litigation throughout the country, with a focus on litigation concerning allegations of bad faith and other extra-contractual claims. He has extensive experience litigating and advising clients on complex property insurance coverage issues and allegations of bad faith and unfair claims settlement practices arising out of large property losses. Mr. Butts is part of Robinson+Cole’s Litigation Section and a member of the firm’s Insurance + Reinsurance Group. He is resident in the firm’s Hartford office.

[Karla L. Chaffee](#) – Ms. Chaffee focuses her practice on land use litigation and transactions. She handles complex federal litigation involving the Religious Land Use and Institutionalized Persons Act (RLUIPA), First Amendment, and Equal Protection Clause. With regard to land use transactions, Ms. Chaffee performs due diligence work for real estate transactions prior to acquisition and financing. She is a member of the firm’s Land Use and Real Estate + Development Groups as well as its RLUIPA practice group. Ms. Chaffee is resident in Robinson+Cole’s Boston office.

[Kevin P. Daly](#) – Mr. Daly focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation and trade compliance issues. He has represented clients in class actions (including insurance class actions, consumer class actions, and class actions related to the Telephone Consumer Protection Act), and product liability actions. Mr. Daly also advises clients on a variety of trade regulations, including Export Administration Regulations (EAR), International Traffic in Arms

Regulations (ITAR), and U.S. import regulations. He is a member of Robinson+Cole's Business Litigation Group and Manufacturing Industry Team. Mr. Daly is resident in the firm's Hartford office.

[Marc E. Haas](#) – Mr. Haas focuses his practice on foreign and domestic insurance coverage and litigation matters. His experience includes litigating complex insurance coverage issues pertaining to property and casualty insurance, commercial general liability insurance, excess insurance, and professional liability insurance. He also provides coverage advice and counsels clients on first-party property, commercial general liability, construction, environmental, and professional liability claims. Mr. Haas is a member of Robinson+Cole's Insurance + Reinsurance Group and is resident in the firm's New York office .

[Soo Y. Kim](#) – Ms. Kim concentrates her practice on large complex litigation that spans multiple industries and practice groups. Her practice primarily focuses on defending pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers in mass tort litigation. Ms. Kim also actively manages cases throughout all phases of litigation, including presuit investigation, discovery, and dispositive motions. In addition, she handles insurance coverage disputes. She is a member of Robinson+Cole's Health + Benefits Litigation Team and is resident in the firm's New York office.

[Matthew P. Mazzola](#) – Mr. Mazzola, a member of the firm's Health + Benefits Litigation Team, handles litigation related to life, health, and disability benefits; employee benefits; and insurance coverage. Mr. Mazzola focuses his practice in the areas of health care; the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA) and managed care litigation; life, health, and disability benefit litigation; related insurance coverage issues; and medical malpractice litigation. He also has significant experience defending insurers and private corporations in the areas of premises liability, general negligence, property and casualty defense, and New York State Labor Law. Mr. Mazzola is resident in the firm's New York office.

[Emilee Mooney Scott](#) – Ms. Mooney Scott is a member of the firm's Environmental, Energy + Telecommunications Group, with experience in facility compliance and transactional matters. Her experience includes a long-term placement in the legal department of a client - a multinational manufacturer - where she worked closely with the in-house and outside environmental and transactional counsel as well as corporate and facility environmental personnel. She is resident in the firm's Hartford office.

[Taylor A. Shea](#) – Ms. Shea represents privately and publicly held companies in all aspects of corporate and transactional law, including commercial finance transactions, private equity and venture capital transactions, mergers and acquisitions, and general corporate and commercial matters. She is a member of the firm's Business Transactions and Finance Groups and Manufacturing Industry Team. Ms. Shea is resident in the firm's Hartford office.

[Jovana Vujovic](#) – Ms. Vujovic focuses her practice on life, disability, and health care litigation. She has experience handling all aspects of litigation and pre-litigation matters, and in providing advice to clients to assess and minimize their litigation exposure. Ms. Vujovic handles disputes related to group welfare benefits, the Employee Retirement Income Security Act (ERISA), health insurance, disability insurance, and life insurance coverage. She also represents

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leading insurance companies and health care providers in all aspects of health care litigation, in state and federal courts and before the American Arbitration Association. Ms. Vujovic is a member of Robinson+Cole's Health + Benefits Litigation Team and is resident in the firm's New York office.

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