

# BURNS & LEVINSON LLP

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## **Burns & Levinson LLP Elects Five Partners**

Boston, MA, March 16, 2009 – Burns & Levinson LLP, a leading Boston-based law firm with offices in Massachusetts and Rhode Island is pleased to announce that **Anatoly M. Darov, Robin M. Lynch Nardone, Chad J. Porter, Thomas T. Reith and Michael P. Twohig** have been elected Partners in the Firm.

### **Anatoly M. Darov, P.E., Partner – Design & Construction, Environmental, Real Estate and Schools & Colleges Groups**

- Mr. Darov has a wide range of experience representing clients in a variety of construction, environmental and real estate matters. He advises real estate developers on leasing, zoning, land use, and environmental law issues associated with land development projects in various stages of development. He advises owners, construction contractors, and design professionals in complex construction, government contracts, and project delivery and procurement matters. Mr. Darov also works closely with several Massachusetts public charter schools on formation, operational, and governance matters that impact charter schools and their supporting foundations. He received his J.D. from New England School of Law in 2000 and his M.S. and B.S. in Civil and Environmental Engineering from the University of Massachusetts at Amherst in 1996 and 1994, respectively.

### **Robin M. Lynch Nardone, Partner – Divorce & Family and Private Client Groups**

- Ms. Lynch Nardone specializes in family law litigation and mediation. In her litigation practice she handles all aspects of divorce, custody disputes, paternity, and post-divorce modification and enforcement of alimony, child support, and other judgments. She has extensive experience in the negotiation and drafting of prenuptial agreements. In addition to litigation, Ms. Lynch Nardone is a trained family law mediator. She received her J.D., *cum laude*, from Suffolk University Law School in 1997 and her B.A., *cum laude*, in sociology from Middlebury College in 1993.

### **Chad J. Porter, Partner – Corporate, Finance, Real Estate and Securities Law Groups**

- Mr. Porter participates in a broad range of activities, including mergers and acquisitions, commercial financing arrangements, real estate transactions, securities transactions, intellectual property, business disputes, corporate affairs, compliance matters, and general business affairs. He received his J.D. from Boston University School of Law in 2001 and his B.S., *magna cum laude*, from Southern New Hampshire University in 1998.

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## **Thomas T. Reith, Partner – Business Litigation and Design & Construction Groups**

- Mr. Reith currently works in all aspects of civil litigation. His practice areas include business, construction, real estate and surety litigation, as well as alternative dispute resolution. Mr. Reith also advises clients in alternatives to litigation. When such alternatives are not viable, Mr. Reith represents clients in all litigation stages including equitable relief, motion practice, discovery, and trial, mediation and arbitration. Throughout representation of his clients, Mr. Reith counsels them on how to avoid future disputes while placing themselves in the most advantageous position should disputes arise. Mr. Reith has represented plaintiffs and defendants in state and federal courts at both the trial and appellate levels. He received his J.D. from Suffolk University Law School in 2000 and his B.A. from Providence College in 1997.

## **Michael P. Twohig, Partner – Business Litigation Group**

- Mr. Twohig represents businesses and individuals in a wide variety of civil litigation in state and federal courts and in arbitration proceedings. He has successfully represented clients in contract disputes, debt collection actions, actions on promissory notes and guaranties, supplier-distributor disputes, construction and design disputes, warranty and defective product claims, as well as employment disputes, such as actions for breach of employment and non-compete agreements, discrimination and Wage and Hour Act claims. He has also successfully represented clients in intellectual property disputes, such as licensing disputes, patent, trademark, and copyright infringement actions, trade secret and unfair competition actions, as well as tort actions, such as personal injury and property damage, fraud, misrepresentation and tortious interference with contractual relations. Mr. Twohig received his J.D. from Boston University School of Law in 2000 and his B.A., *cum laude*, in History, from Harvard University in 1993.

We congratulate all five attorneys on being elected to the Partnership.

### ***About Burns & Levinson LLP***

*Burns & Levinson, with over 120 attorneys in four offices in New England, is a full-service Boston-based law firm. The firm has grown steadily and strategically throughout the years and has become a premier law firm with regional, national and international clientele. The firm has expertise in corporate law, finance, venture capital, private equity, tax, bankruptcy, lending and leasing, real estate, business litigation, government investigations and white collar crime defense, intellectual property - including patent law, and a large private client group - including estate planning, probate and trust litigation, divorce and other family law issues. In addition, the firm has a wholly-owned subsidiary office in Montreal, Quebec, to service its Canadian clients. For more information, visit Burns & Levinson at [www.burnslev.com](http://www.burnslev.com).*

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