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BROWN RUDNICK ATTORNEYS HONORED IN *THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA 2007*

*Firm honorees practice in
Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights, Commercial Litigation, Energy, Environmental, Family Law,
First Amendment Law, Health Care, Trusts & Estates and Real Estate*

Boston, MA, September 7, 2006 – Brown Rudnick, a premier international law firm, today announced that 19 of its partners have been selected by their peers for inclusion in the 2006-2007 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*. Seven of the 19 honorees have been named *Best Lawyers* for 10 consecutive years, and one firm partner has been recognized for 20 years.

Considered the definitive guide to legal excellence in the United States, *The Best Lawyers in America* is published by Woodward/White, Inc. Lawyers were selected for inclusion in this new edition of *Best Lawyers* as a result of an exhaustive and rigorous peer-review survey that has been developed and refined for nearly 25 years. The current edition of *Best Lawyers* is based on 1.8 million confidential evaluations by only the top attorneys in the country. *Best Lawyers* also conducted thousands of extensive telephone interviews with leading attorneys throughout its balloting process.

The Brown Rudnick attorneys identified as among the nation's leading practitioners in their focus areas are:

In Boston:

- **William R. Baldiga** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights)
- **M. Robert Dushman** (First Amendment Law) – a ***Best Lawyer*** for 10 years
- **Stephen M. Leonard** (Environmental)
- **Paul P. Perocchi** (Family Law) – a ***Best Lawyer*** for 20 years
- **M. Frederick Pritzker** (Commercial Litigation and Construction)
- **Joel M. Reck** (Real Estate)
- **Joseph F. Ryan** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights) – a ***Best Lawyer*** for 10 years



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- **Lawrence E. Uchill** (Real Estate) – a *Best Lawyer* for 10 years

In Hartford:

- **Mark A. Asmar** (Real Estate)
- **Douglas A. Cohen** (Environmental) – a *Best Lawyer* for 10 years
- **Scott P. Consoli** (Real Estate)
- **Franca L. DeRosa** (Energy and Environmental) – a *Best Lawyer* for 10 years
- **Thomas D. Ritter** (Government Relations)
- **Howard L. Siegel** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights) – a *Best Lawyer* for 10 years
- **Philip M. Small** (Energy and Environmental)
- **James E. Wakim** (Real Estate)

In New York:

- **Ada Clapp** (Trusts and Estates)
- **Edward S. Weisfelner** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights)

In Providence:

- **Jeffrey F. Chase-Lubitz** (Health Care) – a *Best Lawyer* for 10 years

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