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BROWN RUDNICK ADDS TAX PARTNER TO NEW YORK OFFICE

Patrick M. Cox is a seasoned tax attorney with experience in matters involving cross-border transactions, M&A, corporate restructuring and reorganization, and real estate

New York, NY, and Boston, MA, August 13, 2007 -- Brown Rudnick, a premier international law firm, today announced that **Patrick M. Cox** has joined the firm's New York office as a Partner in the Corporate & Securities Department. Mr. Cox focuses his practice on taxation law and has extensive experience in general tax planning including issues of partnership, real estate, international and corporate taxation. Prior to joining Brown Rudnick, Mr. Cox was Counsel in the tax practice at Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP in New York.

As an experienced tax practitioner, Mr. Cox assists domestic and international clients in developing effective tax strategies for complex cross-border and domestic business transactions. He represents debtors, creditors, investors and potential acquirers of financially troubled entities on matters involving federal income tax issues relating to financial restructuring and acquisitions. He also advises corporations and consolidated groups on the tax consequences of debt offerings, exchanges and reorganizations.

According to Brown Rudnick CEO Joseph F. Ryan, "In today's global economy, corporate transactions are encumbered by increasingly more complex tax implications that require skillful tax planning. Rick has the experience, legal talent and business savvy to help clients develop smart tax strategies that will help them advance their business goals. We welcome Rick to the firm."

Commenting on why he joined Brown Rudnick, Mr. Cox said, "Brown Rudnick is nationally-renowned for its bankruptcy & corporate restructuring practice, as well as for its general corporate work such as cross-border mergers and acquisitions. The firm offers a strong platform for me to grow my practice and work with some of the most talented and skilled attorneys in the legal community."

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