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Day Pitney Welcomes Its Largest-ever Fall Class of 16 New Associates

Day Pitney LLP announced today that sixteen associates are joining the firm this fall in Hartford, CT, Parsippany, NJ, New York, NY and West Hartford, CT. The incoming associates are a diverse mix of attorneys, many of whom are former judicial clerks or embarking on a second career after law school. Among the group are a former scientist for a Fortune 100 pharmaceutical company, a former tax consultant for a Big Four accounting firm and former New Jersey Supreme Court and Connecticut Supreme Court clerks.

"This year's fall associate class is an accomplished group, whose academic achievements and wide-ranging work experience will result in immediate and valuable contributions to the firm and our clients," says Stanley A. Twardy, Jr., the firm's managing partner. "We look forward to getting to know our new colleagues better--including those whom we know from Day Pitney's Summer Apprentice program--and working together to advance our clients' interests."

Here are the new associates, along with their respective office locations and departments:

Hartford, CT

Anthony Bongiorni, Financial Services department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Bongiorni was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Michael A. Ponsor, U.S. District Court for the District of Massachusetts. Bongiorni received his J.D. from the Northwestern University School of Law and his B.A. from Brown University.

Kaitlin A. Canty, Commercial Litigation department. Canty was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Robert E. Beach of the Connecticut Appellate Court and was a judicial intern for the Honorable Peter C. Dorsey of the U.S. District Court in the District of Connecticut in 2009. A summer apprentice with Day Pitney in 2010, Canty received her J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law and her B.A. *summa cum laude* from Union College.

Emily J. Kagan, Corporate and Business Law department. Kagan received her J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law and her B.A. with Honors from McGill University. She was a summer apprentice with Day Pitney in 2011, and has been an extern with the State of Connecticut Department of Public Health and with Aetna, Inc., and an intern with the Jerome N. Frank Legal Services Organization at Yale Law School.

Kristin K. MacDougall, Commercial Litigation department. MacDougall received her J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law and her B.S. *summa cum laude* from the University of Rhode Island, Kingston. She was previously a legal intern with the Montpelier Insurance Group and the Executive Office of Immigration Review in Hartford, CT. MacDougall interned with the U.S. Department of State in Geneva in 2010.

Walter Menjivar, Commercial Litigation department. Menjivar was a summer apprentice with Day Pitney in 2010 and 2011. He received his J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law and his B.A. from Vanderbilt University.

Eric J. TeVelde, Intellectual Property department. TeVelde received his J.D. *cum laude* from the Western New England University School of Law, where he was editor of the law review, and his B.S. from the University of Virginia. He also has a

masters of engineering from the University of Michigan, Ann Arbor, and previously worked as a scientist with Pfizer, Inc., and Sanofi Aventis Pharmaceuticals.

Ailla Wasstrom-Welz, Real Estate, Environmental and Land Use department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Wasstrom-Welz was a Sessional Attorney for the Legislative Commissioners' Office in Hartford, CT. She received her J.D. from the University of Connecticut School of Law and her B.A. *cum laude* from Saint Michael's College. She is secretary and Green Sub-Committee chairwoman of the Brooklyn Conservation/Aquifer Protection Commission.

Parsippany, NJ

Andr?s Acebo, Commercial Litigation department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Acebo was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Jonathan N. Harris, New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. He received his J.D. from the Rutgers School of Law?-Newark and his B.A. from Brown University.

Jessica M. Burstein, Labor and Employment department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Burstein was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Paul J. Vichness, New Jersey Superior Court. Burstein received her J.D. from the Rutgers School of Law?-Newark and her B.A. *magna cum laude* from Rutgers University.

Michael H. Dell, Labor and Employment department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Dell was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Dennis M. Cavanaugh, U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey, where he also interned during law school. In addition, he interned with the City of Philadelphia District Attorney's Office. Dell received his J.D. from the Villanova University School of Law and his B.A. from Syracuse University.

Sylvia-Rebecca Guti?rrez, Commercial Litigation department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Guti?rrez was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Carmen Messano, New Jersey Superior Court, Appellate Division. She previously worked as a tax consultant at Deloitte Tax LLP. Guti?rrez received her J.D., LL.M. Taxation and International Tax Certificate *cum laude* from the University of Miami School of Law and her A.B. from Boston College.

Meghan McSkimming, Corporate and Business Law department. McSkimming was a summer apprentice with Day Pitney in 2011. She received her J.D. from the Seton Hall University School of Law and her B.A. *magna cum laude* from Fordham University. In 2010, McSkimming was an extern for the Honorable Joseph A. Greenaway, Jr., of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit in Newark, NJ.

Sarah A. Sakson, Commercial Litigation department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Sakson was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Virginia Long, New Jersey Supreme Court. Sakson received her J.D. from the Boston University School of Law and her B.S. from Cornell University.

Kathy Trawinski, Commercial Litigation department. Trawinski received her J.D. from the Seton Hall University School of Law and her B.A. from the University of Virginia. She was a summer apprentice with Day Pitney in 2011, and in 2010 was a judicial intern for the Honorable Garrett E. Brown, Chief Judge of the U.S. District Court for the District of New Jersey.

New York, NY

Elizabeth S. Kim, Corporate and Business Law department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Kim was a judicial clerk to the Honorable Jeff Bohm, Chief Judge of the U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the Southern District of Texas. Kim received her J.D. from the Duke University School of Law and her B.A. *magna cum laude* from the University of Illinois. She has interned for the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission, the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Northern District of Illinois and the Department of Justice' Executive Office of U.S. Trustees.

West Hartford, CT

Laura Schuyler, Individual Clients department. Prior to joining Day Pitney, Schuyler was a judicial clerk to the Honorable C. Ian McLachlan, Connecticut Supreme Court. She was a summer apprentice with Day Pitney in 2010. Schuyler received her J.D. from the University of Virginia School of Law and her B.A. from Amherst College. She was a summer intern in 2009 for the Honorable Holly B. Fitzsimmons of the U.S. District Court for the District of Connecticut.

About Day Pitney

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