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Day Pitney Launches New Blog for Startups: The Venture Law Desk

(STAMFORD, December 9, 2013)--Day Pitney's highly regarded Emerging Companies and Venture Finance Group today launched a new online resource for entrepreneurs and investors in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions. The firm's new blog, "The Venture Law Desk," will track the latest developments in venture law and cover events and news stories concerning startups and their investors, including important business insights for entrepreneurs and VC professionals.

"We have a long history of working with entrepreneurs and a deep relationship with many in the private investing community. We see our blog as a way for us to enhance our connection with our clients and educate others with the latest information affecting their businesses and to provide them with practical ideas for how to navigate the legal challenges they face daily," said R. Scott Beach, chair of Day Pitney's Corporate and Business Law department.

Regular contributors to the blog include attorneys from diverse backgrounds and complementary practice areas who operate out of nine Day Pitney offices in Boston, Connecticut, New York City, New Jersey and Washington, D.C. All of the contributors have been involved in counseling high-technology and other fast-growth companies on legal issues involving company formation, operation and financing. Many in the group have also assisted venture and private equity investors in fund formation, securities law compliance, strategic transactions and investments in portfolio companies.

Stamford partner David Swerdloff, a widely-recognized veteran corporate attorney and one of the senior members of Day Pitney's Emerging Companies group, will also be contributing to the blog. Mr. Swerdloff has been ranked by Chambers USA as a leading corporate/M&A attorney. He has represented emerging companies and private companies in various corporate transactions. He speaks frequently on topics of interest to emerging companies and on mergers and acquisitions.

In addition to the Venture Law Desk blog, Day Pitney also hosts the CT Hub, an online resource for startup companies and investors, providing them with financing and funding tools, networking resources and growth opportunities to help Connecticut-based investments and businesses thrive. The CT Hub site, which was launched in April, includes a downloadable calendar of events, programs and business opportunities around the state for entrepreneurs and investors. It also provides information on tax and financing opportunities from Connecticut's "JOBS" legislation; tax credits and funding opportunities for new businesses; links to accelerators and incubators, competitions, and beneficial networks for new business owners; mentoring opportunities; and assistance with intellectual property issues.

In May, the CT Hub was recognized by Lex Innovatio, New England's largest practice management conference and a collaborative effort between area bar associations, as part of an "elite group of trailblazers" innovating and leading the Connecticut-area legal field. Lex Innovatio described CT Hub as "an impressive example of how law firms can give back and

support entrepreneurs and startups."

About Day Pitney

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