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BROWN RUDNICK ATTORNEYS HONORED IN *THE BEST LAWYERS IN AMERICA*® 2009

Firm honorees practice in

Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights, Structured Finance, Commercial Litigation, Energy, Environmental, Real Estate, Government Relations, Family Law and First Amendment Law

Boston, MA, October 31, 2008 – Brown Rudnick, a premier international law firm, today announced that 18 of the Firm's partners were recently selected by their peers for inclusion in *The Best Lawyers in America*® 2009 (Copyright 2008 by Woodward/White, Inc., of Aiken, S.C.). Five of the 18 honorees have been named *Best Lawyers* for more than 10 consecutive years, and two were recognized for 20- and 25-year *Best Lawyer* status.

Since its inception in 1983, *Best Lawyers* has become universally regarded as the definitive guide to legal excellence. Because *Best Lawyers* is based on an exhaustive peer-review survey in which more than 25,000 leading attorneys cast almost two million votes on the legal abilities of other lawyers in their specialties, and because lawyers are not required or allowed to pay a fee to be listed, inclusion in *Best Lawyers* is considered a singular honor. *Corporate Counsel* magazine has called *Best Lawyers* "the most respected referral list of attorneys in practice."

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 Law)
- **Ronald S. Borod** (Structured Finance Law)
- **Edward S. Hershfeld** (Real Estate Law)
- **Jeffrey L. Jonas** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law)
- **Steven B. Levine** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law)
- **Paul P. Perocchi** (Family Law) - ***Best Lawyer for 25 years***



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- **M. Frederick Pritzker** (Commercial Litigation / Construction Law) - ***Best Lawyer for 10 years***
- **Joel Reck** (Real Estate Law)
- **Elizabeth A. Ritvo** (First Amendment Law)
- **Joseph F. Ryan** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights Law) – ***Best Lawyer for 10 years***

In Hartford:

- **Mark A. Asmar** (Real Estate) – ***Best Lawyer for 10 years***
- **Douglas A. Cohen** (Environmental) – ***Best Lawyer for 10 years***
- **Scott P. Consoli** (Real Estate)
- **Franca L. DeRosa** (Energy and Environmental) – ***Best Lawyer for 10 years***
- **Thomas D. Ritter** (Government Relations)
- **Howard L. Siegel** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights) – ***Best Lawyer for 20 years***
- **Philip M. Small** (Energy and Environmental)

In New York:

- **Edward S. Weisfelner** (Bankruptcy and Creditor-Debtor Rights)

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