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COZEN O'CONNOR MEMBER MARK FOLEY CHOSEN TO CHAIR FIRM LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT GROUP

PHILADELPHIA – Jan. 4, 2007 – Cozen O'Connor recently announced that Mark J. Foley, a member in the firm's Philadelphia office, has been named chair of the labor and employment practice group, replacing Jeffrey I. Pasek, who has chaired the group since its inception.

"Mark is an extremely talented attorney, and will be an excellent leader for the group," said Patrick J. O'Connor, president & CEO of Cozen O'Connor. "We are confident that Mark will lead the labor group in its expansion in size, reputation and geographic scope. We also extend our sincere thanks to Jeff Pasek for his time and dedication in developing our labor and employment group into a very successful practice group for the firm." Pasek will now devote his full attention to his client base.

Foley joined the firm in June 2006, along with three other labor and employment attorneys from the former Klett Rooney firm. He represents employers in all aspects of labor and employment law, with extensive experience in a broad range of matters under local, state and federal law. Foley was a member of Governor Rendell's negotiating team in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania's collective bargaining negotiations with its 66,000 union employees and was lead negotiator for the City of Philadelphia in collective bargaining negotiations and interest arbitrations with the unions representing the city's 22,500 union-represented employees.

Foley has been recognized by the *Philadelphia Business Journal* as one of the region's 40 most dynamic young leaders, by *Chambers USA* as one of America's leading business lawyers and is listed in *The Best Lawyers in America*. He is admitted to practice in Pennsylvania and is a member of the board of governors of the Pennsylvania Economy

League and a member of the board of directors of the Philadelphia Chamber of Commerce.

Foley earned his undergraduate degree from The Pennsylvania State University (B.A., 1984) and his law degree from Villanova University School of Law (J.D., *cum laude*, 1987), where he was the associate editor of the *Villanova Law Review* and was elected to the Order of the Coif.

Founded in 1968, Cozen O'Connor is ranked among the 100 largest law firms in the United States, serving business, insurance and private clients. Cozen O'Connor is a full-service firm with more than 500 attorneys practicing in 23 offices. The firm has 21 offices located across the United States and international offices in London and Toronto.

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