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**Three Krokidas & Bluestein Attorneys Recognized as  
"Best Lawyers in America"**

**Boston (January 2, 2010)** – Krokidas & Bluestein LLP is pleased to announce that three of the firm's attorneys have been included in the 2010 edition of *The Best Lawyers in America*. Selection for *Best Lawyers* is based on an exhaustive and rigorous peer-review survey comprising more than 2.8 million confidential evaluations by the top attorneys in the country. For over a quarter of a century, *Best Lawyers* has been regarded - by both the profession and the public - as the definitive guide to legal excellence in the United States. The three named "Best Lawyers" are: Robert Griffin, Paul Holtzman, and Jennifer Gallop.

**Robert Griffin**

Robert Griffin joined Krokidas & Bluestein in 1985. He concentrates his practice in the areas of health care, non-profit, administrative and corporate law. Griffin is an active community participant, serving on the boards of several non-profit and community institutions, including Marian Manor (for which he received the Magnificat Award in 2004), St. Patrick's Manor, Carmel Terrace and S Bank. He is a past member of the Quincy Medical Center, the St. Coletta and Cardinal Cushing Centers and Quincy Youth Baseball Board of Directors. Before joining Krokidas & Bluestein, Griffin held several positions in Massachusetts state government. His last position was as Chairman of the Massachusetts Rate Setting Commission. He has been recognized by the Massachusetts Department of Public Health for his work protecting the residents of troubled nursing facilities. He is a 1975 graduate of Trinity College. He received a master's degree in public administration from the University of Massachusetts in 1978, and a juris doctor degree from Suffolk Law School in 1983.

**Paul Holtzman**

Paul Holtzman's litigation practice is comprised of a mix of trial work, alternative dispute resolution and preventive advice to employers, all focused in the areas of employment law, sexual harassment and other civil rights. Among his public service activities, Holtzman served as Co-Chair of the Labor & Employment Section of the Boston Bar Association. He filed an amicus curiae brief in the landmark Goodridge vs. Department of Public Health case, where he argued on behalf of a coalition of national civil rights organizations. He also serves as an Advisor to the American Law Institute (ALI) on the inaugural Restatement of Employment Law. Holtzman is a 1983 magna cum laude graduate of Harvard College and a 1987 graduate of Yale Law School, where he served as a senior editor of the Yale Law Review. He served as a law clerk to the Honorable Pierre N. Leval in the U.S. District Court for the Southern District of New York. He also practiced in Washington, D.C., at the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights Under Law and the NAACP Legal Defense and Educational Fund.

**Jennifer Gallop**

Gallop is a partner at the firm and concentrates her practice in the areas of health care, non-profit, administrative and corporate law. She represents clients in transactional matters (e.g. mergers, acquisitions, affiliations, contracts), corporate and regulatory compliance, reimbursement issues and tax-exempt financing. She has written and lectured for professional and trade organizations, including Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education, the Boston Bar Association Health Law Section and the Massachusetts Extended Care Federation on corporate compliance, non-profit governance, long-term care and assisted living, and health care transactions. In 2008 she was named one of "The Top 10 Corporate Lawyers" by *Women's Business Boston*, a monthly professional business journal for women covering Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Rhode Island. She is a graduate of Brandeis University, magna cum laude, and the New York University School of Law.

**About Krokidas & Bluestein LLP**

Krokidas & Bluestein LLP provides legal services in the areas of real estate development, management and finance, public and non-profit general corporate law, social services, health and education law, public and private civil litigation, and labor and employment law. The firm is staffed by 21 attorneys, 13 of whom are women, and is certified by the State Office of Minority and Women Business Assistance (SOMWBA) as a woman-owned business enterprise.

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