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Brigham Moore welcomes prominent litigator to firm

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West Palm Beach, FL -- Brigham Moore LLP, Florida's oldest and largest eminent domain and property rights defense firm, has announced that John W. Little, III, a veteran attorney with 22 years trial and appellate experience, has joined the firm as a partner. Little will establish the West Palm Beach office for the firm, which currently operates four offices in Miami, Sarasota, Jacksonville and St. Petersburg. Little was formerly a partner with the law firm of Steel Hector & Davis LLP, where he practiced for more than 20 years.

"It was not an easy decision to leave such a talented group of professionals, whom I will always count as friends, but after 22 years of a broad litigation practice, I was ready to specialize in a practice area that I particularly enjoy," said Little. "I am excited about the opportunity to join a firm with the most talented group of eminent domain attorneys in Florida, which does not compete with Steel Hector."

Little's eminent domain experience includes representing Florida Power & Light in numerous eminent domain and zoning trials throughout Florida, and representing property owners in acquisitions by condemning authorities including the South Florida Water Management District and Florida Department of Transportation. Little is currently the co-chair of the American Bar Association's Litigation Committee in the field of eminent domain law and is the incoming chair of the Palm Beach County Bar Association's Committee in this field. Little also handles the amicus appellate work of the Real Property Section of the Florida Bar.

In addition, he represented Florida's Secretary of State in the 2000 Presidential Election litigation, has successfully represented Fannie Mae in more than 25 lawsuits across the state, and successfully headed a team of a dozen lawyers during a four year case in Tennessee against the Department of Justice.

"We have been across the table and we have also worked side by side with John in eminent domain matters for years, and have always respected his work ethic and the quality of his work," said Bill Moore, Partner of Brigham Moore. "We are very happy to have him join the firm, and are confident in his legal abilities and his ability to expand our presence in Palm Beach County,



'the treasure coast' and throughout Florida."

Little has received numerous recognitions for his outstanding abilities, including being named in Woodward & White's *The Best Lawyers in America*, 2003-2004. In addition, Little joins five other Brigham Moore partners who are recognized in Florida Trend magazine's *Florida's Legal Elite*, 2004.

He received his bachelor's degree from Wake Forest University, and his juris doctorate from Florida State University College of Law, with high honors. He is admitted to practice law in the States of Florida and Georgia, including the U.S. District Court, Southern and Middle District of Florida, and the Northern District of Georgia. He is also admitted to the U.S. Court of Appeals of the Third, Sixth and Eleventh Circuits, and the U.S. Supreme Court.

Little's professional involvements include serving on the Executive Council of the Florida Bar Real Property, Probate and Trust Law Section since 1997, and as Co-Chair of that section's Amicus Committee since 1998. He is a member of the American Bar Association, and has served as Co-Chair of its Condemnation, Zoning and Land Use Litigation Committee since 2002. He is a member of the Palm Beach County Bar Association and chairs its Environmental, Land Use and Eminent Domain CLE Committee. He was also a member of the Florida Bar Eminent Domain Committee for several years.

His community involvements include being on the Board of Directors for the American Cancer Society in Palm Beach County since 1990 and serving as its President from 1999 to 2002 during which the Society located and built its new headquarters in the County. He is a Leadership Florida Graduate, and served on that group's Board of Regents from 1998-1999. He also serves on the Economic Council of Palm Beach County.