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### **The Association of Pro Bono Counsel (“APBCo”) Holds Leadership Elections**

**Boston, MA, January 26, 2012** – The Association of Pro Bono Counsel (“APBCo”) has elected **Albert W. Wallis**, Executive Director of the Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest, and **David Lash**, Managing Counsel of Public Interest and Pro Bono Services at O’Melveny & Myers LLP, to serve as Co-Presidents. Last year, Mr. Wallis and Mr. Lash served as APBCo’s Co-Vice-Presidents.

Additionally, the following APBCo members were elected to leadership positions:

- Steven Schulman, Partner, Akin Gump Strauss Hauer & Feld LLP, as Vice President
- Latonia Haney Keith, Pro Bono Counsel, McDermott Will & Emery, as Treasurer
- Harlene Katzman, Pro Bono Counsel and Director, Simpson Thacher & Bartlett, as Secretary

Elected to the APBCo Board of Directors were:

- Saralyn Cohen, Pro Bono Counsel & Director of Pro Bono, Shearman & Sterling LLP
- Jennifer L. Colyer, Special Counsel, Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP
- Alison King, Counsel, Kaye Scholer LLP
- Laren E. Spirer, Pro Bono Manager, Debevoise & Plimpton LLP
- Angela C. Vigil, Partner/Director - Pro Bono and Community Service - North America, Baker & McKenzie LLP

Additional Board members, with continuing terms, are:

- Maureen P. Alger, Pro Bono Partner, Cooley LLP
- Gregory McConnell, Pro Bono Counsel, Winston & Strawn LLP
- Amanda D. Smith, Pro Bono Partner, Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP

Elections were held during APBCo’s January 12, 2012 Board meeting.

Established in 2006 to support the professional development of full-time pro bono counsel at commercial law firms, APBCo has over 100 members from over 75 law firms. The organization works to develop best practices in the field of pro bono practice management and to promote social justice and access to justice in the legal profession.

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