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**SAUL EWING EXPANDS CAPABILITIES IN BOSTON WITH ADDITION OF  
CORPORATE PARTNER GERARD P. O’CONNOR**

*(Boston MA, February 8, 2012)* — Saul Ewing LLP is pleased to announce the addition of recognized attorney Gerard P. O’Connor as a Partner in the firm’s Corporate Group. O’Connor is the first corporate attorney to join the ranks in its Boston office, expanding the firm’s services offered there.

O’Connor has a wide-ranging business practice focused on mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance and intellectual property matters. He represents clients in a variety of industries, including clean energy technology, renewable energy, software and information technology, medical device and life sciences, manufacturing, venture capital and professional services.

His experience includes representing buyers and sellers of public and private companies and assisting entrepreneurs and early stage companies with formation, securities offerings, employment and intellectual property issues. He also counsels public companies and their directors and officers on securities law, Sarbanes-Oxley compliance and reporting obligations. In addition, O’Connor advises early stage energy technology companies and software companies in their formation and growth, including the negotiation and execution of angel and venture capital financings, strategic alliances and joint venture agreements.

“Jerry is a strong addition to our Boston office, and propels our efforts to broaden and grow the services offered and industries served,” said Barry F. Levin, Chair of the Business and Finance Practice. “He has a well-rounded corporate skill set that will help support our current practice, as well as help us to expand that practice into new realms.”

O’Connor received his law degree from Northeastern University School of Law and his undergraduate degree from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst.

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