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Becker LLC Announces the Promotion of two of its Attorneys to Members of the Firm

Livingston, N.J., February 2017 - Becker LLC is pleased to announce the promotion of Anthony J. Vizzoni and Michael E. Holzapfel to Members of the Firm. According to Martin Borosko, the Firm's Managing Member, "Both Anthony and Michael exemplify the characteristics of 'Becker' team players -- consistently placing the goals of the Firm and of the Firm's clients above their own personal goals."

Mr. Vizzoni joined the Firm as Of-Counsel over fifteen years ago. Previously, he served as Corporate Counsel and Senior V.P. of Business Development to the Vizzoni group, a well-respected real estate development firm. In that capacity, Mr. Vizzoni gained vast legal, operational and business experience in all aspects of real estate investment, real estate financing, real estate development, and construction. He counsels his developer clients in various aspects of real estate development and construction activities, inclusive of due diligence and financing matters. Mr. Vizzoni has negotiated millions of dollars of significant lease volume transactions and sales acquisitions. With his diverse and unique real estate and business background, Mr. Vizzoni is well equipped to represent clients in both distressed real estate workouts and distressed business situations. In addition to being a member of the firm's Real Estate Practice Group and Construction Practice Group, Mr. Vizzoni is also a member of the firm's Business Services Practice Group representing clients in corporate matters, inclusive of mergers and acquisitions. He has authored several articles on various real estate and business topics. He currently resides in Cranford, NJ with his wife and two daughters.

Mr. Vizzoni stated "Becoming an equity member in such a well-respected Firm as Becker, with such a great group of lawyers and supportive staff, is truly a blessing. I could not imagine spending my career at any better place."



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Mr. Holzapfel joined the Firm following completion of a judicial clerkship with Judge Lawrence M. Lawson, the former Assignment Judge of Monmouth County. He has spent his entire career in private practice with Becker LLC, starting as junior associate in 2003. For fourteen years Mr. Holzapfel has been a member of the Firm's litigation department, where he specializes in healthcare, construction, and real estate litigation. On several occasions he has been selected for inclusion on the *Super Lawyers* New Jersey Rising Stars list, and in 2016 was selected for inclusion in the *Best Lawyers in America* in the field of Construction Litigation. A native of Massachusetts, Mr. Holzapfel resides in Little Silver with his wife and two sons, where he is a member of the Little Silver Planning Board and is an assistant coach for his sons' various recreational sports teams. "Becoming a shareholder of an amazing firm like Becker is an honor in its own right," Mr. Holzapfel said. "But being promoted to member in the only firm I have known as a private practitioner, and where I started my career as a first-year associate fourteen years ago – that is truly special."

The Firm is proud to admit Anthony and Michael as members. Their admission as members is a well-deserved honor for them and another important step for the Firm in building its legacy and future.