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Frank J. Petrino Selected for “Meet the Real Estate Lawyers”

June, 2009, Trenton, NJ – Sterns & Weinroth, P.C. is pleased to announce that **Frank J. Petrino** has been recognized for legal excellence in *Real Estate New Jersey's* “Meet the Lawyers”. The publication selected 40 prominent real estate practitioners to profile in the feature article from 100 nominations across the state. The report will be published in the May/June issue of the magazine.

Frank J. Petrino was selected for his reputation as one of the leading Land Use and Zoning attorneys in New Jersey with over 30 years experience in real estate law. He represents national, regional and local builders and developers before municipal, county, state and federal agencies with respect to the development of fee simple residential communities, common interest communities and business and industrial parks, including industrial parks located within redevelopment areas and on Brownfield's sites. Mr. Petrino has or continues to represent major residential developers and homebuilders including Centex Homes, The Weingarten Siegel Group, American Properties, SGS Communities, D.R. Horton, affiliates of Atlantic Realty, Westrum Homes and Beazer Homes. On the non-residential side, his developer clients include Mack-Cali, M. Alfieri Co., Inc., the Morris Companies, ProLogis, and Trafalgar House Realty. His extensive litigation experience includes representation of clients in matters involving the regulation of the use, sale of interests, and environmental impact of real estate development as well as in complex commercial litigation.

Some notable accomplishments include:

- Representation of his clients in connection with Mt. Laurel litigation, including negotiating and implementing settlements involving large scale inclusionary developments in East Windsor Township, Hopewell Township, Manalapan Township and Cherry Hill.
- Representation of Brown, Harris, Stevens in connection with the conversion of several thousand apartments to the cooperative or condominium form of ownership, including Horizon House in Ft. Lee, the largest co-op conversion in New Jersey.
- Obtained approvals for large scale office/business parks, including Mack-Cali's 1,400,000 square foot Horizon Center in Hamilton Township.
- Assisted big box warehouse developers to obtain approvals for in excess of 4,000,000 square feet of warehouses in the Cranbury/South Brunswick area.
- Represented developers of large scale redevelopment projects in Trenton (Marriott Hotel), Princeton Borough (Park Plaza) and Hamilton Township (637 unit TOD).

Frank J. Petrino was recently named to the list of New Jersey Super Lawyers® for 2009. He was selected after an extensive survey and peer review conducted by *Law & Politics Media*, intended to distinguish outstanding attorneys in the State who have established an exceptional degree of achievement in the legal profession and respect from their peers. More than 35,000 ballots were distributed to attorneys across New Jersey, seeking nominations of colleagues they had personally observed in action. *Law & Politics'* attorney-led team then conducted its own independent research, meeting and corresponding with hundreds of law firms to seek and identify the top lawyers in the State. Mr. Petrino has been named to the New Jersey Super Lawyers® list every year since it was first published in 2005.

Sterns & Weinroth has provided quality legal services and personalized attention from its Trenton location for 40 years within its five principal practice areas: Administrative/Governmental, Bankruptcy/Creditors' Rights, Gaming, Litigation and Real Estate/Transactional. For more information, please visit: www.sternslaw.com.

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