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MEYER DARRAGH ATTORNEYS AGAIN LISTED IN PENNSYLVANIA RISING STARS

Pittsburgh, PA — Attorneys **Paul R. Robinson** and **Constantine J. “Dean” Passodelis**, partners in the law firm of Meyer, Darragh, Buckler, Bebenek & Eck, P.L.L.C., were listed as Rising Stars for 2007 in Pennsylvania *Super Lawyers* magazine, a recognition both also received in 2006.

Law & Politics magazine, which publishes Pennsylvania *Super Lawyers* and the Rising Stars edition, uses a three-step selection process to decide upon the lawyers who will receive the distinction of “Rising Stars.” Initially, ballots are mailed to the most recently selected Super Lawyers (the top five percent of lawyers in the state based on the Pennsylvania *Super Lawyers* selection process) where they are asked to vote for the best attorneys either age 40 and under or who have been in practice ten or fewer years and whom they have personally observed in action. The *Law & Politics* research team also searches for up-and-coming lawyers to identify those who may have been missed in the ballot nomination process. The next step involves an evaluation process where nominees are reviewed based on factors set by the *Law & Politics* research team and the credentials of the Rising Stars candidates are examined. In the final step, the top approximately 2.5 percent are chosen as Rising Stars.

“We proudly congratulate Attorneys Robinson and Passodelis on their inclusion in this elite group,” said Marie Milie Jones, the firm’s managing attorney. “Their selection to this list for a second time recognizes that they are viewed as skilled and dedicated practitioners, as well as topnotch colleagues.”

A graduate of the New England School of Law, Mr. Robinson is recognized for his representation of clients, both inside and outside the courtroom, with legal issues relating to trucking law, product liability, commercial disputes, insurance coverage, and liability claims. Mr. Robinson chairs the firm’s transportation and product liability practice groups, and is a member of the Allegheny County and Pennsylvania Bar Associations, the West Virginia State Bar, and various defense organizations. Mr. Robinson practices extensively throughout western Pennsylvania and West Virginia.

Mr. Passodelis obtained his degree from the University of Pittsburgh School of Law and has developed a strong, focused litigation practice for several valued clients on a regional and national level. His clientele includes health care entities such as clinical laboratories, global medical device manufacturers, integrated dialysis providers, hospitals, and physicians. He also actively represents clients engaged in the business of employee relocation, time share management, and commercial and residential real estate management and sales. He chairs Meyer Darragh’s professional liability practice group and is a member of the firm’s executive and compensation committees. Mr. Passodelis, whose legal practice regularly takes him beyond the borders of Pennsylvania, is also a member of a number of bar associations, and is admitted to practice law in Pennsylvania, West Virginia, and Ohio.

Meyer Darragh, a 30-attorney firm headquartered in the U.S. Steel Tower in Pittsburgh, also maintains branch offices in Greensburg and Altoona, Pennsylvania. The firm practices in a variety of fields including litigation defense, employment law, municipal law, professional liability, and motor vehicle and criminal defense.