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**Law Firm Welcomes Managing Attorney**

*Former Assistant Attorney General to Lead New York City Office*

NEW YORK CITY, November 7, 2007 — Gilberti Stinziano Heintz & Smith, P.C. is pleased to announce Belina Anderson, Esq. has joined the law firm as Managing Attorney in their New York City office. Ms. Anderson brings substantial litigation experience to the firm's environmental practice.

With experience in both the private and public sectors, Ms. Anderson focuses her practice on civil litigation, representing commercial clients. She also has extensive experience in administrative law and appellate advocacy.

“With almost twenty years of legal experience in New York City, in both the public and private sector, Belina is the perfect choice for managing attorney in our New York City office,” said Peter Cappuccilli, Chief Operating Officer of Gilberti Stinziano Heintz & Smith, P.C.

Prior to joining the firm, Ms. Anderson worked for the New York City Law Department, World Trade Center Unit, which handles the complex litigation arising from the terrorist attacks on September 11, 2001. As Assistant Chief of Environmental Claims, she was responsible for assessing the City's potential liability under environmental statutes and from future toxic tort claims. Ms. Anderson also worked for New York City as Special Counsel to the Business Integrity Commission, which regulates the solid waste industry.

Ms. Anderson also has substantial experience in appellate practice. As an Assistant New York State Attorney General, Ms. Anderson handled close to fifty appeals before the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit and New York State's appellate courts. Prior to that, she served as a law clerk to the New York State Court of Appeals.

Ms. Anderson has practiced in the private sector as well, concentrating on commercial litigation.

A *magna cum laude* graduate of the State University of New York at Buffalo, School of Law, Ms. Anderson holds a Master of Laws degree in International & Comparative Law from Georgetown and has published an article in the field of international environmental law. She is fluent in French and an active member of the French American Chamber of Commerce.

A recognized leader for forty years in environmental, energy and natural resources, real estate, real property tax assessment and condemnation, litigation, business, and government relations, Gilberti Stinziano Heintz & Smith, P.C. provides legal services to all sectors of business and industry, government, financial institutions and large global entities from offices across New York State.

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