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Arnstein & Lehr LLP welcomes two bankruptcy attorneys to its Chicago Office

Chicago, IL – January 2, 2008 – Arnstein & Lehr is pleased to announce that Michael L. Gesas and David A. Golin will join the firm February 1 as partners in the firm's Bankruptcy, Creditors' Rights & Restructuring Practice Group. They will practice out of the Chicago office.

Gesas and Golin join the firm from Gesas, Pilati, Gesas and Golin, Ltd., a Chicago bankruptcy boutique, bringing with them more than 50 years of combined expertise.

Barry Chatz, Arnstein & Lehr's bankruptcy and creditors' rights chair, welcomed their addition to the firm, stating that he believes the two will greatly enhance its presence in restructuring and other areas.

Gesas is a third generation bankruptcy attorney. His father, Leonard Gesas, handled many significant bankruptcy matters throughout his career. These included the restructuring of the Milwaukee railroad and the reorganization of the real estate empire of Walter Judd Kassuba, once considered the nation's largest landlord. He also represented the National Hockey League Kansas City Scouts. His grandfather, Michael

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Gesas Sr., served as a clerk in the law office of Blum & Blum in 1898, where he worked on one of the earliest cases in bankruptcy ever filed in Chicago and as an attorney assisted in drafting the 1938 Bankruptcy Act.

Gesas is a graduate of the University of Wisconsin and received his law degree from the John Marshall School of law. He brings to Arnstein & Lehr 24 years of experience representing lenders, creditors and commercial debtors in corporate and business reorganizations.

His practice includes liquidation proceedings, compositions, assignments for the benefit of creditors, asset acquisitions and sales through the bankruptcy court and other forums, workouts, contract negotiations and related commercial representation and litigation. He has been a guest speaker regarding insolvency issues at the John Marshall Law School, Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education, and the United States Environmental Protection Agency. He has been recognized by Law Bulletin Publishing Company one of Illinois' top corporate bankruptcy attorneys for several years.

Golin graduated from the University of Michigan and received his law degree from Georgetown University Law Center. With more than 27 year's experience, his practice includes the representation of financially distressed businesses, from family owned to multinational, in loan restructurings, workouts, Chapter 11 reorganizations, Chapter 7 liquidations, and assignments for the benefit of creditors. He also represents secured lenders, landlords, equipment lessors, bondholders, mechanic lienholders, and other creditors in connection with their claims against debtors. Law Bulletin Publishing

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Company has continually recognized him as one of the top Illinois corporate attorneys in the fields of bankruptcy and workout law.

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