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San Luis Obispo, CA – September 1, 2013 -- The law offices of Stuart | Moore are pleased to announce the addition of a new attorney. Richard J. Perry, Jr. accepted the invitation to become an Of Counsel lawyer in the firm. He will practice out of his office in the Washington, D.C. area.

Before joining the firm, Mr. Perry oversaw the operation of Hovde Capital Advisors and Hovde Private Equity Advisors and all legal matters, including compliance, involving those entities and their affiliates. Mr. Perry brings tremendous skill and expertise in structuring and negotiating complex acquisitions and debt and equity financing for financial institutions and alternative asset and private equity investment funds. Mr. Perry focuses on the areas of corporate, securities and financial institution matters, and will establish the firm's East Coast presence in the greater Washington, D.C. area. Mr. Perry has been lead counsel and strategist on numerous complex supervisory and non-supervisory acquisitions involving both foreign and domestic acquirers. Prior to joining the Hovde organization in 1997, Mr. Perry served as outside counsel while he was a partner in the law firm of Perry, Simmons & Loots, P.C. in Washington, D.C., where his area of concentration was banking, corporate and securities law. Mr. Perry was previously in-house counsel of a large New England thrift, Executive Assistant to the Chairman of the Federal Home Loan Bank Board (later the Office of Thrift Supervision), and Partner in charge of several East Coast financial institution practice groups for the national law firms of McKenna, Conner & Cuneo, Baker & Hostetler (where he also served on the D.C. Office Management Committee), and Hogan & Hartson. Mr. Perry received his law degree from Suffolk University School of Law in Boston, Massachusetts, and his Bachelor of Arts degree from American International College in Massachusetts, where he majored in Political Science and earned a minor in French. Mr. Perry was the recipient of the McGowan Award for outstanding scholastic achievement and public service. In his charitable endeavors, Mr. Perry has served as the Treasurer of the Special Olympics in Massachusetts and actively supports and participates in numerous civic and humanitarian organizations.

Recognized as a premier boutique law firm representing financial institutions and small to medium size businesses, the attorneys of Stuart | Moore now bring over 100 years of reputation and experience to the practice. The firm has built its practice by offering the services, specialization and expertise of the finest large firms with the personal service and affordable fees of a small firm.