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PRESIDENT OF NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF WOMEN LAWYERS JOINS NIXON PEABODY ***Cathy Fleming Brings 28-Years Of Legal Experience In Civil Litigation and White Collar Crime***

March 28, 2007 (New York, NY) – National law firm Nixon Peabody LLP announces that Cathy Fleming, the President of the National Association of Women Lawyers (NAWL), has joined the firm as partner in its New York City office. She is nationally known for her practice in complex civil and corporate integrity matters. Ms. Fleming joins Nixon Peabody's Business Litigation Practice from the New York City office of Edwards Angell Palmer & Dodge. As the current president of NAWL, she leads the oldest continuing women's bar association in the United States. The association is nationally renowned for its long-standing record of achievement on issues that affect the interests of women in and under the law. Ms. Fleming is an active spokesperson on the social, political and professional empowerment of women, including on issues of retention and advancement of women lawyers.

Ms. Fleming's practice focuses on complex civil litigation and white collar integrity matters. She has extensive experience in trials and counseling individuals and corporations on matters involving money laundering, international extraditions, securities, employment, antitrust and environmental law. Ms. Fleming has tried more than 50 cases to resolution, primarily in federal courts, in numerous jurisdictions across the country. She has been lead counsel on high profile cases, including successfully defending the former Mexican Deputy Attorney General in four separate federal extradition attempts and successfully defending the former Mayor of Newark against federal criminal charges. She also regularly represents corporations and financial institutions in arbitrations, mediations and litigation involving millions of dollars.

Harry Trueheart, Chairman of Nixon Peabody, said, "We are pleased to welcome Cathy Fleming to the firm and our New York City office. Cathy brings a tremendous talent to Nixon Peabody's civil and white collar criminal litigation practice as well as to our corporate governance practice. As President of the National Association of Women Lawyers, she serves as a role model to many. She is a leader in the mentoring of attorneys and in moving the profession to address diversity in a frank, direct, and meaningful way."

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In addition, Ms. Fleming has tried employment cases in both state and federal courts on a variety of issues ranging from hostile work environments to retaliation and wrongful termination. She has tried a number of precedent-setting matters including the first application of laches to an employment litigation. Ms. Fleming also regularly advises corporations and audit committees in issues related to corporate integrity. She served as an Assistant United States Attorney in the District of New Jersey, including as Chief of the Special Prosecutions Unit.

Ms. Fleming has also appeared as a commentator for Court TV and other media outlets. In 1987, she received the Department of Justice's prestigious Special Commendation Award. Ms. Fleming was graduated from Mount Holyoke College with a B.A. degree. She earned a J.D. degree from Columbia University School of Law.

About Nixon Peabody's Financial Services and Securities Litigation Practice

Nixon Peabody's financial services and securities litigation team has a national reputation for excellence in resolving high-exposure disputes arising from complex financial relationships. The group handles direct, derivative, and class action cases involving claims of lender liability, breach of fiduciary duty, breach of contract, fraud, misrepresentation, consumer protection, racketeering, and rights of privacy. The experienced attorneys are known for their thorough command of the regulatory environments in which these cases arise.

About Nixon Peabody's Government Investigations and White Collar Criminal Defense Practice

Nixon Peabody represents companies and individuals in all forms of government inquiries, including criminal, administrative, and Congressional investigations; grand jury proceedings; trials; and, if necessary, appeal and collateral proceedings. The firm's attorneys are involved in many of the highest-profile criminal matters in the country, including the recent lobbying scandals in Washington, D.C., criminal tax matters in New York City, pharmaceutical and medical device cases in New England, and national environmental criminal cases. Nixon Peabody has also represented members of Congress and Congressional staffers in a host of matters both in Washington, D.C., and throughout the country. The firm regularly conducts internal investigations for corporate clients both in the United States and abroad. In addition, Nixon Peabody helps clients to respond to subpoenas or other requests for information from federal and state investigative agencies and to manage media inquires and concerns.

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About Nixon Peabody

Nixon Peabody LLP is one of the largest law firms in the United States. With approximately 700 attorneys collaborating across 15 major practice areas in 17 office locations, including Boston, Chicago, Los Angeles, New York City, Rochester, San Francisco and Washington, D.C., the firm's size, diversity and advanced technological resources enable it to offer comprehensive legal services to individuals and organizations of all sizes in local, state, national and international matters. Nixon Peabody has been recognized by FORTUNE magazine as a "100 Best Companies To Work For[®]" in 2007 for the second consecutive year. The firm has also been named to the Human Rights Campaign Foundation's 2007 "Best Places To Work For GLBT Equality" list.

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