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## **Robins Kaplan LLP partner elected president-elect of the Massachusetts Bar Association**

BOSTON, Mass. — Attorney Christopher P. Sullivan, a partner at Robins Kaplan LLP in Boston, has been elected president-elect of the Massachusetts Bar Association for its 2016-2017 year, beginning on Sept. 1. Sullivan's law practice concentrates in civil jury trials in complex litigation matters, including financial and securities cases and intellectual property matters.

Sullivan has served as chair of the MBA's Membership Committee, and as a member of the MBA's Executive Management Board and House of Delegates. In the past, Sullivan sat on the MBA's Civil Litigation Section Council and served as tri-chair of the Federal Practices and Procedures Committee. In 2014, Sullivan helped launch the Massachusetts SOLACE (Support of Lawyers/Legal Personnel - All Concern Encouraged) Chapter with the Federal Bar Association (FBA), which is an email based network of Massachusetts legal professionals who provide critical aid to members of the legal profession in times of need.

In addition to his MBA involvement, Sullivan is a past president of the Massachusetts Chapter of the FBA and a former FBA vice president for the First Circuit. He is a fellow in several bar related charitable foundations, including the Massachusetts Bar Foundation, the philanthropic partner of the MBA; the American Bar Foundation, an organization dedicated to advancing justice through rigorous research on the law, legal processes, and the law's impact on our society; and the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association, which promotes and supports legal research and education, advances the science of jurisprudence and fosters improvements in the practice of federal law. Sullivan serves as a Board of Bar Overseers hearing officer, with a term lasting through 2017.

An accomplished trial lawyer, Sullivan has been named a New England Super Lawyer by *Super Lawyers* every year since 2004.

A Hingham resident, Sullivan graduated from the College of the Holy Cross in Worcester in 1971; he is currently an executive board member of the Holy Cross Lawyers Association. He received his J.D. from Fordham University School of Law in 1975; he is New England Chapter vice president of the Fordham Law Alumni Association.

Alongside Sullivan, the other 2016-17 MBA officers include: President Jeffrey N. Catalano, West Roxbury; Vice President John J. Morrissey, Hingham; Treasurer Christopher A. Kenney, Sudbury; and Secretary Denise I. Murphy, Westwood.

*Incorporated in 1911, the Massachusetts Bar Association is a non-profit organization that serves the legal profession and the public by promoting the administration of justice, legal education, professional excellence and respect for the law. The MBA represents a diverse group of attorneys, judges and legal professionals across the commonwealth.*

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