Ball Janik LLP Expands to West Florida, Opens Sarasota Office

SARASOTA, Fla., Ball Janik LLP is pleased to announce the firm's fourth office opening, and first on the Gulf Coast, in Sarasota, Florida. The newest office is in the Center Pointe Office Building at 2033 Main Street, Suite 201. Located in downtown Sarasota, the office is across the street from the Sarasota County Courthouse and minutes away from several city highlights such as the Marie Selby Botanical Gardens, Sarasota Opera House, and the Sarasota Art Museum. Special Counsel Salvatore G. Scro will lead the Sarasota office, along with partners Phillip E. Joseph, James C. Prichard, Evan J. Small, Kelly M. Corcoran, and Brian T. Crevasse. The Sarasota office is positioned to serve clients up and down the Gulf Coast, including Naples, Fort Myers, Sarasota, Bradenton, Tampa, St. Petersburg, and Clearwater.

"Expanding to western Florida is a natural move for our firm as we grow in the Florida market. The new office allows us to strengthen our client relationships and services," said Jim Prichard, Managing Partner at Ball Janik. "Having someone as experienced as Sal Scro leading our Sarasota office will ensure it provides the highest quality of service to clients—matching Ball Janik's nationally recognized brand." Scro resides in Sarasota, Florida, where he is heavily involved in the community. His legal experience spans 33 years and includes various areas of litigation, real estate, and business matters in New York and Florida. Since relocating to Florida in 2006, Scro has concentrated his practice on the representation of homeowners, homeowner associations, and condominium associations in complex construction defect litigation and turnover matters. He also represents clients in business, civil, and commercial and residential real estate

transactions.

"Establishing the firm's first western Florida office is an exciting endeavor," said Scro. "I have no doubt this office will provide the best service to every client we represent and expand Ball Janik's footprint in the coming years."

An expansion of Ball Janik's growing presence throughout Florida, the Sarasota office will continue the Florida mission of working with owners of all types in construction defect claims, construction and design matters, real estate transactions, insurance recovery, and first-party property damage claims.

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Since our firm's inception, we have expanded our capabilities, professionals, and geographic footprint. In doing so, we have earned a national reputation for upholding the rights of our clients.

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