

# Bernard Gaffney Joins Wilson Elser's Hartford Office

Bernard Gaffney has joined Wilson Elser's Hartford, Connecticut, office as of counsel.

Formerly a partner with Rome McGuigan, P.C. in Hartford, Gaffney practices as a corporate transactional attorney and litigator, focused on matters involving commercial contracts and agreements, general and product liability and professional disputes.

In a release, the firm said Gaffney has experience in all aspects of litigation, from sensitive corporate investigations to taking first chair jury trials to verdict.

The release continues: In handling transactional matters, Gaffney has assisted his corporate clients from the inception of deals, providing strategies and legal advice, through the drafting and negotiating various major business agreements to conclusion. He is admitted to practice in Connecticut and Massachusetts.

"When we opened the Hartford office in 2011, we focused on establishing a foothold in the Government Affairs and Lobbying arenas," explained Brian Del Gatto, regional managing partner of Wilson Elser's New England Region. "We are now making a concerted effort to grow our litigation and transactional practices with Bernard on board and the 40 attorneys split between our Stamford, CT, and Boston, MA, offices."

Gaffney obtained his B.A. degree from Saint Anselm College (1989) and his J.D. degree from Suffolk University Law School (1993), where he was editor in chief of the Adelpia Law Journal and president of Delta Theta Phi Law Fraternity.

Earlier this year, Jim Perras, of counsel, joined the firm's

Hartford office. His practice focuses on government affairs and insurance regulatory and compliance matters.