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Allen J. Underwood II Named One of *New Jersey Law Journal's* “40 Under 40” for 2011

Livingston, N.J., August 17, 2011 – Becker Meisel Partner Allen J. Underwood II has been named one of *New Jersey Law Journal's* “40 Under 40” for 2011. The list features forty attorneys under the age of 40 who have developed practice niches, amassed strong books of business, displayed leadership qualities, and shown expertise in litigation or transactional work. Commitment to pro bono, charitable and professional volunteer work was also among the basic criteria for selection.

“The firm is extremely proud of Mr. Underwood’s accomplishment, which, combined with the recognition received by other attorneys in the firm over the past several years – Super Lawyers, Best Real Estate Attorneys, AV ratings in Martindale Hubbell – is proof of the firm’s abiding commitment to legal excellence,” said Managing Partner Martin Borosko.

About Allen J. Underwood II

Allen Underwood’s practice encompasses diverse areas of state and federal law. He represents individual and corporate creditors, debtors, creditors' committees and Trustees in Chapter 7 and 11 bankruptcy matters, as well as parties in state court commercial matters. Mr. Underwood has represented plaintiffs and defendants in preference, fraudulent conveyance, breach of contract, common law fraud, breach of fiduciary duty, and employment and commercial matters. He has also represented bankruptcy creditors on administrative, secured, priority and unsecured claims, many of which involved issues of security, priority, setoff, recoupment and possession of collateral. Others involved parties subject to agreements of guaranty and indemnity, in the construction and insurance contexts.

Mr. Underwood is admitted to practice before the courts of the states of New Jersey and New York as well as the District of Columbia. He is also admitted to practice before the Federal District and Bankruptcy Courts of New Jersey, and the Southern, Eastern and Western Districts of New York. Mr. Underwood has also appeared pro hac vice in several Delaware bankruptcy matters.

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