

Former Attorney General Tom Reilly Joins Cooley Manion Jones

National Litigation Firm Unique Fit for Reilly's Breadth of Experience

Boston, MA – June 29, 2009 – Two and a half years after leaving the Massachusetts Attorney General's office, former Attorney General Tom Reilly has joined the leading national boutique litigation firm of Cooley Manion Jones LLP (CMJ). Reilly leaves his position as a partner with Greenberg Traurig, one of the US's largest law firms, where he developed and managed a national government investigation, regulatory and civil litigation practice. Based in Boston, CMJ has grown in national prominence, serving as lead counsel in a broad and diverse array of some of the most challenging and intense litigation in the US. Greenberg Traurig and CMJ enjoy a strong cross referral relationship.

“This is very exciting for me. CMJ is increasingly being called upon here and nationally when individuals and businesses have serious problems or when family members and loved ones have suffered a terrible loss,” said Tom Reilly. “The client wants the problem solved in the most targeted efficient manner possible. That is what CMJ does; they get things done. That is what I have been doing throughout my career, solving problems and getting things done. It's a perfect fit and who knows, I may even get back into court and I'm looking forward to it.”

CMJ founding partner Harry Manion III stated, “There are many reasons we are fortunate that Tom Reilly joins the firm. First, he has led the largest litigation practice in Massachusetts: the Attorney General's office and he was an Attorney General and District Attorney who actually tried cases, and oversaw litigation on an amazing breadth of subjects. Second, he has hired and mentored some of the best lawyers in Massachusetts, including Attorney General Martha Coakley, Middlesex District Attorney Gerry Leone and Carmen Ortiz, who was recently nominated to be US Attorney for Massachusetts. And third, he is Tom – a friend of over 30 years and a person of unique talent and high integrity.”

CMJ founding partner Patrick Jones added, “CMJ was founded by one of the great trial lawyers of the late 20th Century, Earle C. Cooley, known for his ability to handle any kind of high stakes case. He won acquittals in murder cases, handled complex antitrust, tort and commercial cases, represented the Celtics and Boston University in high profile cases of their day, and had a unique ability to connect with juries. Tom Reilly is in the Cooley mold, having presided over a vast panoply of civil and criminal litigation while DA and AG, attracting to those offices and training some of the best trial lawyers in the Commonwealth. Harry and I look forward to affording the next generation of our rising trial stars at CMJ the opportunity to work with and be mentored by such a great trial lawyer, knowing what it meant to our own careers.”

With offices in Boston, Rhode Island, Delaware and an affiliate in San Francisco, California, CMJ has grown in national prominence for its handling of high stakes

litigation on a range of high profile commercial litigation, toxic tort and personal injury cases. Currently, founding partner Harry Manion III is lead counsel for a subsidiary of Koch Industries in an \$800 million dollar case pending in federal court in New York City brought against DuPont which is represented by David Boies, while Patrick Jones is part of a team of lawyers in the final stages of settling, on behalf of plaintiffs who include the estates of the over 100 people killed in the fire, The Station Nightclub fire case pending in federal court in Providence, Rhode Island.

About Former Attorney General Tom Reilly Reilly's over twenty years of public service included two terms as Massachusetts Attorney General, from January 1999 to January 2007 and two terms as Middlesex District Attorney. As Attorney General, he was directly involved in all major cases, investigations and litigation, often with national impact. The subject matter under his purview included finance, antitrust, tobacco litigation, pharmaceutical litigation, criminal cases, labor law, securities, consumer and business protection statutes, and oversight of charitable institutions. As Middlesex District Attorney, he prosecuted some of the most serious cases of violent crime and public corruption in Massachusetts state history. Career highlights as Attorney General include:

- Personally led the investigation into corruption in the Central Artery construction; the largest public works project in American history.
- Challenged the failure by the US EPA under the Bush Administration to regulate carbon dioxide in one of the most important environmental cases in recent history. This case made national news and was argued at the US Supreme Court.
- Directed an 18 month civil and criminal investigation of sexual abuse of children in the Boston Archdiocese which documented the tragedy of over 700 instances of the abuse of children, resulting in several convictions and the adoption of new policies and procedures for the future protection of children.
- Oversaw the receivership and plan of rehabilitation of Harvard Pilgrim Health Plan, a one million member HMO. Fast tracked the complex coordination of legal services, financial analysis and outreach to state and federal government agencies and health care industry to file the rehabilitation plan within 90 days and achieve court approval within five months. The company was returned to good health and its members protected.

Reilly received a BA from the American International College in 1964 and a JD from Boston College Law School in 1970. He is a member of the Massachusetts bar. He expects to start at CMJ on July 1, 2009.

About Cooley Manion Jones LLP

Founded in 1984 by partners Earle C. Cooley, Harry Manion III and Patrick Jones, the firms' partners made a decision to remain a boutique, cutting against the grain in the legal field at the time and creating a new operating model of a lean, agile trial practice that has attracted Fortune 500 companies and billion dollar cases, protecting corporate assets and reaping huge settlements for many. Over the last 10 years, CMJ has experienced consistent, strong growth in each aspect of its practice. Those practice areas include:

- Personal Injury – The personal injury practice has handled some of the most challenging product liability, medical malpractice and other cases in New England. In

addition to The Station Nightclub fire case, Patrick Jones's team was lead counsel for the family of Victoria Snelgrove, the college student who was killed by a police officer outside of Fenway Park after the Red Sox had clinched the pennant. The team regularly obtains 7 and 8 figure settlements for their clients, most of which are subject to confidentiality clauses.

- Commercial Litigation – CMJ's commercial litigation practice, led by Manion and Martin Gaynor, now attracts cases throughout the US including serving as national litigation counsel for Sodexo, the largest food service company in the world, representing Nike and its subsidiary Converse, and local and regional businesses. Recently, Manion and his partner Chris Cunio, on behalf of a large Dutch pension fund, filed in federal court in Boston a \$90MM suit against State Street Bank alleging mismanagement of the funds. Partner Jennifer Furey was recently retained by an Italian based consumer goods company to represent it in a patent infringement case pending in federal court in Boston.
- Product Liability and Toxic Tort Group – John B. Manning, along with his partners John Hugo, Brian Gross and Jon Tabasky, leads the firm's product liability and toxic tort practice. This group represents over 25 companies regionally and nationally in high exposure litigation.
- Athlete/Celebrity Representation – CMJ is known for its representations of athletes and celebrities including Bob Lobel, Bob Neumeier, reporter Julie Donaldson, Doug Flutie, Willie McGinest, Pete Carroll, and former Red Sox COO Mike Dee, to name a few.