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**Kathryn Cochrane Murphy Elected Treasurer of ACREL**

**Boston (January 22, 2012)** – The Boston law firm of Krokidas & Bluestein is pleased to announce that partner Kathryn Cochrane Murphy has been elected Treasurer of the American College of Real Estate Lawyers for 2013. ACREL is the premier organization of U.S. real estate lawyers. Members are admitted by invitation only based on their outstanding legal ability, experience, and high standards of professional and ethical conduct. Ms. Murphy has been a Fellow of ACREL since 1993, and was Secretary of the organization in 2012. As Treasurer, Ms. Murphy will also serve on ACREL's Board of Governors and Executive Committee.

In addition to her membership in ACREL, Ms. Murphy is a member and former steering committee member of New England Women in Real Estate (NEWiRE) and a member of the Urban Land Institute. She is Co-Chair of the Board of YWCA Boston, Vice-Chair of the Board of the Emerald Necklace Conservancy, and an Honorary Trustee of the Boston Children's Museum. She has served as a panelist for the ALI/ABA Modern Real Estate Transactions and Commercial Leasing programs and has contributed to the ABA Mortgage Foreclosure book and the State-by-State Guide to Commercial Real Estate Leases.

Ms. Murphy, who has practiced commercial real estate law for over 30 years, joined Krokidas and Bluestein in 2006.

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