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EDUCATION

Boston College School of Law,
J.D. 1977, *Cum Laude*, and
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Harvard University, B.A. 1974,
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BAR AND COURT ADMISSIONS

Maryland
Maryland Court of Appeals
United States Court of Appeals
for the Fourth Circuit
United States District Court for
the District of Maryland
Supreme Court of the
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Tom Lynch, who has been a partner and then a principal of Miles & Stockbridge for more than 20 years, heads our Environmental group and also has a very diversified litigation and alternative dispute resolution background. Since the mid-1980s, Mr. Lynch has represented industry, large and small businesses, financial institutions and individuals on environmental matters, including environmental litigation, compliance counseling, transactional matters including mergers and acquisitions, and contract negotiation. Apart from his environmental work, Mr. Lynch has handled a very broad range of complex litigation matters, including emergency injunctive practice, litigation involving the bank holding company act, employment and employment-related litigation, general corporate and civil business litigation, land use and real estate litigation and, on occasion, personal injury litigation. Mr. Lynch also is one of our most experienced alternative dispute resolution practitioners. He has served as a neutral mediator appointed by the Courts or retained by private parties for more than 10 years. He also has acted as an arbitrator. He frequently participates as a critiquer of new mediators in the mediation training program provided to Maryland lawyers.

Mr. Lynch also is known for his very broad knowledge and experience on ethics issues. He has participated as a member of the Maryland State Bar Ethics Committee since 1989 and chaired the Committee in 1999-2000. As a result of this experience, Mr. Lynch was selected by the Maryland Court of Appeals to participate on a committee, chaired by Judge Rodowsky, Retired Judge of the Court of Appeals, which rewrote the Maryland Rules of Professional Conduct in 2003. He was also selected by the Judges of the Circuit Court for Frederick County to serve as Frederick County's representative on the Professionalism Task Force headed by a Judge of the Maryland Court of Appeals. He was thereafter appointed by the Court of Appeals to serve on the Professionalism Commission representative from Frederick County and chairs the Professionalism Subcommittee of that body.

Mr. Lynch also is well recognized for his contributions to his community and to the Maryland and Frederick County Bar Associations. Upon the merger of the Baltimore office with our Frederick office in 1988, Mr. Lynch moved his practice to Frederick County and became very involved in the Frederick County Bar Association, serving as its president in 2000. He also was responsible for the creation of a non-profit consensus building organization called the Committee for Frederick County, which he chaired from 1998 until July of 2003. In 2005, he was asked to resume the position as Chair of that organization. He served as the Vice Chair and then Chair of the Solid Waste Advisory Committee for Frederick County, which advises the County Commissioners on issues involving solid waste and the landfill. He serves on the board of a number of non-profit organizations and also has devoted countless hours on various task forces for Frederick County and for the City of Frederick.

As a result of his contributions to his community and to the Bar, Mr. Lynch was selected by the Daily Record as one of Maryland's "Leaders in the Law" and, recently, was given a Vision of Character Award by the Character Counts Council of Frederick County.

Prior to joining Miles & Stockbridge in 1980, Mr. Lynch worked for Venable, Baetjer & Howard between 1977 and 1980, working as an associate for Francis D. Murnaghan, Jr., who became a distinguished Judge of the United States Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit.