

## **For Immediate Release**

### **Foreman Friedman, P.A. Adds Three New Attorneys to its Chicago Office**

Elliot Wiczer to serve as Managing Partner

Miami, FL-- (December 29, 2010)--- Foreman Friedman, P.A., a litigation and business law firm headquartered in Miami, Florida has added three experienced attorneys to its growing Chicago office. The team comes from Wiczer Zelmar LLC, a boutique law firm based in Northbrook, Illinois, that has been in business for the past 75 years.

“The move is exciting because it allows us to better service our existing clients from a geographical perspective and also allows us to greatly enhance our own legal offerings,” noted Jeffrey Foreman, a founding partner of Foreman Friedman and a Chicago native.

Elliot Wiczer, Managing Partner at Wiczer Zelmar, joins Foreman Friedman as Managing Partner of the Chicago office. In his career, Wiczer has represented businesses and individuals in a variety of legal transactions and litigation matters. He has handled admiralty and maritime, personal injury and product liability cases, as well as cases involving complex trademarks and patents. He has also handled business and commercial claims, including claims related to promissory notes, guarantees, loan agreements, secured transactions, real estate matters, shareholders disputes, labor and employment law and other general litigation matters. Wiczer has tried or arbitrated more than 60 cases to verdict/award in state and federal court. He received his B.A. from the University of Wisconsin in 1987 and earned his J.D. in 1991 from John Marshall Law School in Chicago.

John Sheldon joins the firm as an associate, a position he also held at Wiczer Zelmar. Sheldon has extensive trial, arbitration and mediation experience. He represents plaintiffs and defendants in a wide array of civil matters, including personal injury, commercial, real estate, construction, employment and other general litigation matters. He also has commercial bankruptcy, maritime, general corporate and tax experience. Sheldon has argued before the Illinois Appellate Court and has successfully represented clients before the Illinois Supreme Court and Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals. John earned his B.S. from Syracuse University in 1991 and his J.D. from the University of Loyola Chicago School of Law in 1998.

Attorney Bernard Wiczer, a partner at Wiczer Zelmar, joins Foreman Friedman as an attorney at law. He has represented clients on matters ranging from basic

incorporations to complex mergers of publicly held corporations. He has handled a variety of commercial real estate syndications, as well as basic house closings. He is experienced in the area of employee benefit plans and insurance, having represented life insurance companies for over twenty-five years.

Wiczer has represented a variety of clients, as both plaintiff and defense counsel, in litigation matters involving class actions, estates, trusts, minority shareholder rights, insolvency, securities, white collar and tax crimes, admiralty and maritime cases as well as contested divorces. He has always maintained an active practice in both federal and state courts.

“This is a great opportunity to be part of a dynamic firm and help them establish a larger presence in the Midwest,” said Elliot Wiczer. “Their services are very complementary to what we do now and they are the perfect size to give clients top-notch service.”

The new team will work out of an office located at 500 Skokie Blvd., Suite 350, Northbrook, Illinois 60062. Foreman Friedman also has a downtown location at 33 N. Dearborn Street, Suite 300, Chicago, Illinois 60602.

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