

**GIORDANO, HALLERAN & CIESLA ATTORNEY SELECTED AS
MEMBER OF GOVERNOR-ELECT CHRIS CHRISTIE TRANSITION
SUB-COMMITTEE**

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MIDDLETOWN, NJ – Giordano, Halleran & Ciesla is proud to announce that shareholder Michael A. Pane, Jr. has been selected as a member of Governor-Elect Chris Christie New Jersey Transition Sub-Committee for the Department of Consumer Affairs, which will conduct a top to bottom review of this Department. The Department of Community Affairs contains divisions including the Council on Affordable Housing, the New Jersey Housing and Mortgage Finance Agency, the New Jersey Redevelopment Authority and the Division of Local Government Affairs, among others.

Mr. Pane focuses his practice in the areas of commercial transactions and real estate, including negotiation of agreements for the purchase, sale and development of real property, financing of land acquisition and construction, leasing, obtaining approvals for development, litigation relating to land use and local government matters, real estate and contracts and general business and municipal law consultation. He is experienced in many aspects of municipal law and real estate acquisition, financing and development. His practice mainly consists of preparation, negotiation and review of sophisticated agreements and loan documentation; construction financing on behalf of borrowers and banks; developing creative solutions to problem loans; complex leasing transactions; and perfection of government approvals for land use development. He counsels clients in for profit and non-profit businesses on many different aspects of municipal and county government in New Jersey; conducts legal research under federal, state and local laws; and conducts title review, review of municipal approvals, preparation of legal memoranda, briefs, and other legal documents for the purpose of advising on commercial transactions, on the development suitability of property and the litigation of disputes in these areas.

Giordano, Halleran & Ciesla is a multi-specialty law firm dedicated to providing sophisticated, complex legal services and solutions. The attorneys maintain personal relationships and gather in-depth knowledge of clients' businesses and industries to construct both sound legal advice and effective strategies to resolve business issues. With a focus on responsiveness and producing results with outstanding value to their clients' bottom line, the firm provides experienced legal representation in a wide variety of practice areas, including: Corporate and Business; Creditors' Rights and Bankruptcy; Environmental; Healthcare; Intellectual Property and Technology; Labor and Employment; Litigation; Real Estate, Land Use and Development; and Trusts and Estates.