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**Michael C. Gross,
Partner at Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP,
Elected to DVSGA Board
and
MGKF Sponsors DVSGA's Fall Forum on November 8**

Philadelphia, PA (October 25, 2012) – Michael C. Gross, a partner with Manko, Gold, Katcher & Fox, LLP (MGKF), the environmental, energy and land use law firm based in Bala Cynwyd, PA, has been elected to serve on the Board of Directors for the Delaware Valley Smart Growth Alliance (DVSGA). The DVSGA is an initiative of more than 200 government, private sector and non-profit organizations in the Greater Philadelphia tri-state region encompassing Southeastern Pennsylvania, Southern New Jersey, and Delaware.

MGKF is a sponsor the DVSGA's Fall Forum, "American Dream or American Nightmare: Housing after the Great Recession" on Thursday, November 8 from 8 to 11:30 a.m. at PECO Energy Hall, 2301 Market Street in Philadelphia, Pa. A panel of nationally renowned housing experts will discuss the future of housing and how it relates to smart growth.

The DVSGA facilitates smart growth by recognizing proposed projects at the earliest stages and facilitating approvals at the local level. Projects that receive DVSGA recognition are those which foster regional growth and development in a manner that achieves important economic, environmental and quality of life objectives.

Gross, is a Lower Merion resident, who focuses his practice at MGKF on environmental issues arising in corporate/real estate/energy transactions, brownfields redevelopment, and regulatory compliance matters. He represents a broad range of clients, including industrial entities, real estate developers, energy providers, and municipalities in a wide array of complex environmental matters. Gross is a member of the Lower Merion Environmental Advisory Council where he serves as Vice Chairman.

Prior to joining the firm, Michael spent six years on Capitol Hill, working as an environmental policy legislative assistant and press secretary for three Members of the United States House of Representatives. Gross was also appointed to serve on former Pennsylvania Governor Edward G. Rendell's environmental policy transition team and the Vapor Intrusion Task Group of ASTM International, charged with crafting a uniform standard for assessing vapor intrusion risks in commercial real estate transactions.

Gross received his Juris Doctor from Temple University School of Law. He has his Bachelor of Arts in history from Colorado College and his Master's Degree in Government from Johns Hopkins University.

MGKF concentrates its practice in environmental, energy, and land use law and litigation. It represents clients ranging from Fortune 100 corporations to small, privately held enterprises, both in the Mid-Atlantic region and on a national basis. MGKF was honored to be the top-rated law firm in the Top Workplaces 2012 and 2011 surveys by the Philadelphia Inquirer, Daily News and Philly.com. Offices are located at 401 City Avenue, Suite 500, Bala Cynwyd, Pennsylvania; 535 Route 38, Suite 145A, Cherry Hill, New Jersey; and now at 25 West Third Street, Suite 303, Williamsport, Pennsylvania. For additional information, visit www.mgkflaw.com or call 484-430-5700, 856-317-1299, or 570-567-7325.

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