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“OCC Basel II Lawyer and Regulatory Expert Becomes “Of Counsel” to Barnett Sivon & Natter”

The law firm of Barnett Sivon & Natter, P.C. announced today that Laura Goldman has become “Of Counsel” to the firm effective June 12, 2006. Ms. Goldman was formerly Counsel with U.S. Office of the Comptroller of the Currency.

Ms. Goldman is an expert on a wide range of bank regulatory issues, including Basel II, securitizations, recourse, credit derivatives and other structured finance matters. She was the lead securitization capital expert in the law department, and was actively involved in the development of the Basel II regulatory capital proposal. Her experience at the agency also included analyzing and advising on a variety of complex transactions ranging from traditional securitizations to synthetic transactions, CLOs, and ABCP conduits.

While at the OCC, Ms. Goldman worked on a variety of other regulatory matters, including lending limits, bank receivership issues, and corporate licensing matters. Prior to joining the OCC Ms. Goldman was a bank examiner for the Federal Reserve Bank of New York.

Ms. Goldman holds a B.S. in Finance, *Magna Cum Laude*, from Yeshiva University, and a J.D. from the Fordham School of Law.

Barnett Sivon & Natter, P.C. is a Washington, D.C.-based law firm that specializes in financial services matters.

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