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Frank Rapoport Presents at Jigme Singye Wangchuck School of Law in the Kingdom of Bhutan on Public-Private Partnerships

NEW YORK, NY- March 8, 2018 – Frank M. Rapoport, Partner and Chair of the Public-Private Partnerships (P3) practice at national construction law firm Peckar & Abramson, P.C. was invited by Michael Peil, Vice Dean & Associate Professor at the Jigme Singye Wangchuck School of Law in the Kingdom Bhutan to speak before law students on the topic of Public-Private Partnerships (PPP or P3). Rapoport discussed the potential use of PPP for infrastructure development in Bhutan, consistent with Buddhist principles and the country's GNP which is measured by happiness.

"I was very pleased to participate in this cross cultural experience, developing a deep appreciation for Buddhist principles and the infrastructure and construction needs in Bhutan," said Rapoport, who also serves as Chief Strategy Advisor for the Association for the Improvement of American Infrastructure (AIAI). "Our involvement in this presentation on P3 in the Kingdom of Bhutan reflects P&A's involvement in projects across the globe and our firm's international reach."

Bhutan describes its goals for happiness according to four pillars: Good Governance, Sustainable Socio-economic Development, Preservation and Promotion of Culture and Environmental Conservation. Rapoport compared the traditional Bid-Build with P3 project delivery and discussed Bhutan's first P3 for a parking garage and ancillary commercial development known as the Thimpu Thromde Parking P3. He also reviewed Bhutan P3 law enacted in 2017, and with the students identified possible P3 transportation and social infrastructure projects.

Frank Rapoport is a Senior Partner and Chair of Peckar & Abramson's Public-Private Partnerships practice. He is highly regarded for strategizing and implementing successful business-capture plans for clients pursuing P3, Design-Build and complex infrastructure projects. He combines a deep understanding of the legal and political framework for P3s with the experience of having handled big-ticket government contracts and construction litigation. His knowledge and respect for the political issues in P3 deals have led to numerous successful collaborations with key government officials.

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