

## Neil Cummings Named In The Daily Journal's "Top 20 Under 40"

**Linden Alschuler & Kaplan, Inc. 212-575-4545 on January 26, 2006**

January 26, 2006 (Los Angeles, CA) - Neil Cummings, a partner in the Corporate Department of Proskauer Rose LLP, an international law firm with more than 700 lawyers in the United States and Europe, has been named one of *The Daily Journal's* "Top 20 Under 40" attorneys. Mr. Cummings, who heads Proskauer's Los Angeles-based leveraged finance practice, was independently selected from nominations received by the editors of *The Daily Journal*, the largest circulation legal daily newspaper in the United States.

Mr. Cummings, 37, focuses his practice on representing banks and other financial institutions and equity sponsors in leveraged finance transactions. He also has extensive experience in senior and subordinated debt, second lien loan and bond, and bridge and mezzanine loan financings. In 2005, he represented clients including k1 Ventures Ltd. XL Capital Insurance Inc., Ares and Jefferies, among others, in transactions totaling over \$3.3 billion.

"Neil is an integral part of our Los Angeles corporate team and the firm's national finance practice," said Bert Deixler, head of Proskauer's Los Angeles office. "We congratulate him on being named one of California's top young lawyers and look forward to his continued success."

Mr. Cummings joined Proskauer in November 2004. He was previously a partner in the Los Angeles office of Latham & Watkins LLP. He is a graduate of the University of Toronto, where he received his LLM, and of the University of Aberdeen in Scotland, where he received his LLB.

In addition to his client work, Mr. Cummings is a frequent speaker and author, having written a number of articles in trade publications and journals around the world. He is a member of the State Bar of California, the State Bar of New York and the American Bar Association. In addition, he is qualified to practice law as a solicitor in England, Wales, and the Province of Ontario, Canada.