

## For Immediate Release

January 21, 2010

Contact: Jason Milch  
312.846.9647  
[jmilch@jaffepr.com](mailto:jmilch@jaffepr.com)

## Katten's Gil M. Soffer Appointed by Illinois Governor Pat Quinn to Executive Ethics Commission

**CHICAGO** – Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce that **Gil M. Soffer**, co-chair of the firm's national White Collar Criminal and Civil Litigation and Compliance Practice, has been appointed by Governor Pat Quinn to serve on the Illinois Executive Ethics Commission (EEC). In the wake of recent scandals that have tainted Illinois politics, the nine-member EEC was formed to promote ethics in the executive branch of public service and to ensure that state business is conducted with fairness and integrity.

A former U.S. Associate Deputy Attorney General, Mr. Soffer spent 2008 with the Department of Justice, advising the Deputy Attorney General on criminal matters with a particular emphasis on corporate fraud prosecutions. He played an integral role in drafting the DOJ's Corporate Monitor Principles and Corporate Charging Principles, and provided training on the latter policy to U.S. Attorneys' Offices nationwide. Mr. Soffer also managed the President's Corporate Fraud Task Force and briefed members of Congress on criminal matters within the DOJ.

Mr. Soffer originally joined Katten in 2000 after spending six years as a federal prosecutor. Upon his appointment to the DOJ in 2008 he resigned from the firm, pursuant to the requirements of the government position, but returned to Katten in 2009 after completing his service.

Mr. Soffer concentrates his practice in white collar criminal litigation, insurance litigation, corporate investigations, and anti-fraud counseling and litigation. He has also been involved in a wide range of matters involving reinsurance, health care and alternative dispute resolution.

Katten's White Collar Criminal and Civil Litigation and Compliance Practice is composed of highly respected former prosecutors, law enforcement officers and federal defenders with broad investigative, trial and appellate experience. The depth of the practice is key to its ability to devote the appropriate resources to a client's matter, even on a moment's notice. Knowing firsthand about the manner in which criminal or quasi-criminal actions are handled by "the other side" gives Katten a clear advantage in developing and implementing litigation strategies.

*Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is a full-service law firm with more than 600 attorneys in locations across the United States and an affiliate in London. The firm's business-savvy professionals provide clients in numerous industries with sophisticated, high-value legal services, with a focus on corporate, financial services, litigation, real estate, commercial finance, intellectual property and trusts and estates. Among our clients are a wide range of public and private companies, including a third of the*

January 21, 2010  
Page 2

*Fortune 100, as well as a number of government and nonprofit organizations and individuals. For additional information, visit [www.kattenlaw.com](http://www.kattenlaw.com).*

###