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LOWNDES, DROSDICK, DOSTER, KANTOR & REED WELCOMES JAMES O'BRIEN TO ITS MELBOURNE OFFICE

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Orlando, FL – Lowndes, Drosdick, Doster, Kantor & Reed, P.A., is pleased to welcome attorney James M. O'Brien to the firm as of counsel effective May 2, 2016. O'Brien, who will be located in the firm's Melbourne office, will serve as a corporate and business transaction attorney.

"Jim O'Brien is an outstanding attorney and we are pleased to welcome him to the firm," said William T. Dymond, Jr., CEO and President of the firm and current Board Chair for Space Florida. "We see tremendous innovation and growth in the Melbourne and the Space Coast market, and hiring Jim demonstrates our continued commitment to Brevard County and our belief in its growing technology and business sector."

O'Brien represents clients in technology, aviation, health care, real estate development and construction, restaurant services, food distribution, entrepreneurial enterprise, as well as professional businesses and associations. He focuses on domestic and international business and contract issues, transactional matters, counseling of entrepreneurial and technology businesses, mergers and acquisitions, and corporate governance.

Prior to joining the firm, O'Brien was the founder of a boutique business and real estate firm and before that, he spent ten years working as a business and transactional lawyer representing private and public companies in Daytona Beach and Melbourne.

When he is not practicing law, O'Brien is involved in his community. He is a founding Director of Candlelighters of Brevard, Inc., an organization which provides financial and emotional support for Brevard County families with children afflicted with cancer. He also serves on the Space Coast United Soccer Club Board of Directors and has been a contributor and presenter for the Small Business Development Center at Eastern Florida State College since 1990. O'Brien received his bachelor's degree from the University of Central Florida and his law degree from Florida State University College of Law.

"My clients have grown tremendously over the years," said O'Brien. "I am thrilled to join the Lowndes firm, excited by the prospect of being able to provide clients access to the outstanding resources available from the firm, and very happy to be a part of the continuing growth of the firm in Brevard County."

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