THE TOWN OF AMHERST INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT AGENCY ANNOUNCES NEW GENERAL AND TRANSACTION COUNSEL

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AMHERST, NY — Carlton N. Brock Jr., Chairman of the Town of Amherst Industrial Development Agency ("AIDA"), announced today that Hurwitz & Fine will represent the AIDA as its Transaction and Legal counsel.

Hurwitz & Fine is the former Erie County IDA general counsel and current Orleans County IDA general counsel.

"It was a difficult process. The competition for the AIDA's business was intense.", shared Chairman Brock, "We thank all the firms that responded to our RFP." Eight law firms responded to the RFP with written proposals.

The present Transaction and General Counsel, Neill & Strong PLLC, submitted a bid, but ultimately was not selected.

"Nathan (of Neill and Strong, PLLC) has done a wonderful job working with the Board", stated AIDA Board Member Ed Stachura, "We all appreciate his service."

The new General Counsel and Transaction Counsel will be busy from Day One. There are a number of projects readying for AIDA Board review, as well as legal work associated with past projects.

The AIDA exists in order to promote investment, economic diversity, employment opportunities and to broaden the tax base of the Town of Amherst.

For more information about the Amherst Industrial Development Agency please visit our website: <u>http://www.amherstida.com/</u>