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Dalton & Finegold, LLP hires Kepler and Eigerman

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The law firm of Dalton & Finegold, LLP recently hired Karen Kepler and Jared Eigerman, both formerly of Goulston & Storrs, P.C. in Boston.

Kepler has more than twenty years of experience in commercial real estate development and finance with an emphasis on facilitating public-private partnerships through affordable housing and community economic development projects. She represents for-profit and non-profit companies, financial institutions and quasi-public agencies in complex mixed-use developments, assisted living projects, HUD and Fannie Mae financed developments, federal and state low income housing tax credit and tax-exempt bond financed projects, New Markets Tax Credit developments and "comprehensive permit" projects under Chapter 40B.

Kepler graduated from Boston University School of Law and received a B.A. in economics from the University of Massachusetts, Amherst. She was a partner at Goulston & Storrs. Ms. Kepler is a member of the Housing Advisory Board of the Town of Brookline, a trustee and past-president of the Lawyers' Clearinghouse on Affordable Housing and Homelessness and a past-president of the Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts. She is listed as a Massachusetts Super Lawyer and is ranked as one of the top women lawyers in real estate in the Northeast by Martindale-Hubbell.

Eigerman comes to Dalton & Finegold specializing in land use law. His expertise includes conducting zoning and permitting due diligence, devising and implementing permitting strategies, and writing zoning and permitting opinions for financing. His project experience includes development at all scales, ranging from rehabilitation of historic structures to high-density transit-oriented projects, mixed-use proposals on tidelands subject to the public trust, permitting litigation, eminent domain, and inverse condemnation actions.

After graduating from Harvard College in 1992, and the University of California in 1998, with degrees in City Planning (Berkeley) and law (Hastings College of the Law), Mr. Eigerman began his career as a Deputy City Attorney for the City & County of San Francisco. For seven years, he was an associate and then partner with San Francisco land-use boutique Reuben & Junius LLP, where he remains of counsel. Mr. Eigerman was then senior counsel at Goulston & Storrs. Mr. Eigerman is a member of the American Planning Association and the Urban Land Institute, and is a LEED Accredited Professional for Operations & Maintenance. His most recent publication is "Trends in Sustainability Regulation," *Hotel Sustainable Development: Principles and Best Practices*, AH&LEI (2011).

"Both Karen and Jared will allow us to offer an even wider and deeper real estate knowledge base to our already significant real estate practice. We are thrilled they have decided to join us and look forward to working with them. These additions will solidify our standing as a prominent firm in the region," said managing partner Barry Finegold.

Earlier this year, the firm added Ken MacKenzie, former co-leader of the Goulston & Storrs

Hospitality and Recreation Group, and Christine Sullivan Higgins, formerly at Goodwin Procter LLP in Boston, who focuses on Commercial and Industrial (C&I) and Asset-Based lending. "We are turning a lot of heads, and have had a great year so far. Our big firm work ethic, coupled with our ability to deliver big firm services at a small firm price has been very attractive to our clients, particularly in the current economic environment," said Ken MacKenzie.

Dalton & Finegold, LLP's other areas of focus are residential real estate, civil litigation, estate planning, bankruptcy, and business law in industries ranging from high technology and pharma, to restaurant, retail, and professional services. Each of the firm's attorneys works closely with its clients to understand and accomplish their objectives.

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