Locke Lord’s Boston Office Managing Partner Matt McTygue To Receive LGBT Business Trailblazer Award From Boston Business Journal

(BOSTON) April 11, 2019 – Matt McTygue, Managing Partner of Locke Lord’s Boston office, has been selected by the Boston Business Journal to receive its LGBT Business Trailblazer Award, which recognizes his distinguished record of leadership in the LGBT community. McTygue, only the third recipient of the LGBT Business Trailblazer Award, will accept the honor at the publication’s Business of Pride event on May 9.

McTygue serves on Locke Lord’s Diversity and Inclusion, Lateral Hire and Attorney Development Committees, is Vice Chair of its Practice Development Committee and is a former member of the Firm’s Board of Directors. An active leader in the community, he is involved with numerous organizations throughout the Greater Boston area. McTygue serves on the Board and as Treasurer of Pride in Our Workplace, a nonprofit organization committed to helping LGBTQ professionals and their employers develop capabilities to attract, retain and engage with high-performing LGBTQ and ally talent, and develop and strengthen relationships with LGBTQ and ally customers. Previously, he served on the “Yes on 3” Coalition Leadership Committee formed to defend transgender public accommodation protections in the 2018 Massachusetts ballot referendum. He has also served on the Senate President’s LGBT Advisory Committee and as a member of the GLBTQ Legal Advocates & Defenders (GLAD) Spirit of Justice Committee.

“We’re so pleased that the Boston Business Journal has recognized Matt’s invaluable contributions to the LGBTQ community with this well-deserved honor,” said Locke Lord Chair David Taylor. “At Locke Lord, diversity and inclusion are critical parts of our strategic plan for success, and the groundbreaking work of trailblazers such as Matt is integral not only to our Firm and our continued dedication to these efforts but to the entire legal profession.”

Locke Lord recently announced it achieved a 100 percent rating in the Human Rights Campaign Foundation’s 2019 Corporate Equality Index for the third consecutive year. A perfect score in this annual report evaluating policies and practices related to LGBTQ employees earns the Firm the distinction of being an “Employer of Choice” for LGBTQ employees. The Firm and its lawyers have a long history of supporting LGBTQ civil rights and health care organizations, such as the LGBTQ Bar Associations, GLAD (GLBTQ Legal Advocates & Defenders), Human Rights Campaign, AIDS Action Committee, Imperial Court of New York, Equality Illinois, Freedom for All Massachusetts and Mainers United for Marriage, including service on boards and fundraising committees, hosting events and volunteer work.
McTygue is on the Board of the Greater Boston Chamber of Commerce and has served on several of its subcommittees. A former Co-Chair of the Boston Bar Association (BBA) Diversity and Inclusion Section, he currently sits on the Executive Committee of the BBA Council, the governing body that sets policy for the organization. He previously served as a member of the BBA/Boston Bar Foundation Joint Finance Committee, was the Co-Chair of the Summer Jobs Program Committee and served as a member of the Beacon Award for Diversity and Inclusion, Nominating, Law Day and Justice is Sweet Steering Committees.

Practicing in private equity and commercial finance law, McTygue has extensive experience representing private equity and venture capital firms, investors, commercial lenders and private companies in a broad range of business and financing transactions. He works with companies, investors and lenders in a variety of industries, including energy, health care, life sciences, security and technology, media and telecommunications.

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