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**Simon J. Brighenti, Jr. has been working with clients in the areas of land use, zoning and residential and commercial real estate in Massachusetts and Connecticut for more than 20 years.** Over much of the last decade, he also has significant experience in telecommunications law, both as a land use consultant prior to joining O'Connell, Attmore & Morris and since joining the firm in representing a large national PCS carrier and smaller telecom entrepreneurs. He recently became licensed to practice law in the state of Rhode Island, expanding the firm's presence in southern New England.

As a telecommunication land use consultant, Attorney Brighenti achieved a success rate in obtaining zoning relief in excess of 95% in municipalities throughout Massachusetts and Connecticut. Attorney Brighenti was instrumental in bringing initial wireless service to many Massachusetts towns, including several in the Berkshire Hills. He has also served as a consultant to various municipalities in revising their telecommunications ordinances. The outcome of any particular hearing, does, of course, depend on a variety of factors unique to each case and past case results cannot guarantee or predict the outcome of any future matter undertaken.

In addition to his telecommunications work, Attorney Brighenti has handled hundreds of residential and commercial closings and has examined well over a thousand land titles. Due to his wide range of experience, he is able to offer a truly comprehensive closing service. He is knowledgeable in the details of title evaluation and is often consulted by other attorneys and title insurance companies for his knowledge in examining and remedying troubled titles. His representation of lenders, purchasers and sellers, as well as developers of real estate, has given him a broad base of experience in drafting, reviewing, amending and negotiating a wide range of legal documents affecting property rights. Attorney Brighenti's overall approach to the practice of real estate law is to provide a non-intimidating experience to the first-time buyer, as well as thorough and skilled representation to the property professional.

Attorney Brighenti received his Bachelor of Arts degree in Communications with a minor in Latin and Classical Studies from the University of Massachusetts in 1983, and he was awarded his Juris Doctorate from Western New England College School of Law in 1987. At UMass, Attorney Brighenti served as a paid intern in the Student Legal Services Office, working on behalf of college students in a wide range of legal

matters. Attorney Brighenti was admitted to practice in Massachusetts in 1987, in Connecticut in 1990 and in Rhode Island in 2011. He is a member of the Real Estate Bar Association of Massachusetts and the Hampden County Bar Association.

He is co-author and lecturer of Zoning, Subdivision, and Land Development Law in Massachusetts, published in 2006 by Lorman Education Services, and is a contributing author and lecturer of Fundamentals of Real Estate Development, published in 2006 by Sterling Education Services, Inc. Attorney Brighenti has been voted in as the 2018 Chairperson of the Real Estate Section of the Hampden County Bar Association. He was elected President of the Board of Directors of the Agawam/ West Springfield Parish Cupboard, a non-denominational 501(c)(3) charity that provides free meals and non-perishable food items to local homeless and transitioning individuals and families.

Attorney Brighenti is a lifelong resident of the town of West Springfield, Massachusetts, where he makes his home with his wife and two children. He has served his community as a member of the Cable Advisory Committee, the Planning Board and the Zoning Board of Appeals. He is a member of the Rotary Club of West Springfield and was elected its president for 2011-2012. He is also involved in coaching his son and daughter in various town sports. As a freelance writer, Attorney Brighenti develops questions for licensors of pop culture trivia games, one of them being the home version of Trivial Pursuit.