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## J.H. Cohn Expands New England Presence

J.H. Cohn LLP and Kostin, Ruffkess & Company, LLC, a prominent New England accounting and business advisory firm, with headquarters in Farmington, CT, have signed an agreement to combine. The combination will make J.H. Cohn the dominant regional firm serving the Connecticut and Western Massachusetts marketplace.

Kostin, Ruffkess, which was founded in 1949 and specializes in accounting and tax services as well as forensic accounting, business valuation, and business consulting, now operates as J.H. Cohn LLP.

Now, in addition to our Glastonbury, CT office, J.H. Cohn has operations in Farmington and New London, CT and Springfield, MA. Frank Longobardi, CPA, office managing partner of J.H. Cohn's Glastonbury office, is also regional managing partner, New England.

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"We believe the technical expertise and culture of both firms create widespread synergies that will benefit businesses throughout the New England community. We particularly admire J.H. Cohn's emphasis on partner-level involvement with their clients, dedication to deep industry specialization, diversified tax credentials, and commitment to giving

back to the community," said Ed Kindelan, CPA, of Kostin, Ruffkess who serves as office managing partner of J.H. Cohn's Farmington, CT, New London, CT, and Springfield, MA offices.

### **J.H. Cohn Opens Stamford, CT Office**

J.H. Cohn's recent expansion also includes the opening of a new office in Stamford, CT in September. The office, which is overseen by J.H. Cohn's chief operating officer and strategic adviser to the capital markets practice, Dom Esposito, CPA, is positioned to support the Firm's growing metro-NY and New England practices with strong resources for the private equity and hedge fund communities. ■



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