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**Seyfarth Shaw Welcomes Neal T. Goldstein and Thomas B. Shapira  
as Partners to Corporate Health Care Group in Chicago**

Chicago, IL (August 11, 2008)—Seyfarth Shaw LLP, one of America’s leading full-service law firms, today announced that new partners Neal T. Goldstein and Thomas B. Shapira have joined Seyfarth Shaw’s Corporate Health Care Practice Group in the firm’s Chicago office. Prior to joining Seyfarth Shaw, both were principals with Much Shelist Denenberg Ament & Rubenstein, P.C.

Goldstein is a seasoned corporate attorney whose practice focuses on health care and closely held businesses where he advises physician group practices on health care business issues, fraud and abuse, and consolidation. In addition, he counsels companies who do business in health care, manufacturing, distribution and real estate providing advice on mergers and acquisitions, succession planning, ownership structuring, and general corporate law and business matters.

Shapira has extensive transactional experience in the health care industry. His practice focuses on representing physician groups in relation to the formation and/or consolidation of medical practices, physician practice sales and acquisitions, and the establishment of concierge or retainer practices. He also works with health care providers to address various operations issues, drafts physician practice management agreements, and negotiates settlements and spin-offs of physician practices in the context of bankruptcy workouts.

“Neal and Tom have a strong reputation in the health care industry and will be valuable additions to our growing corporate health care practice,” said Allan Reich, Chair of Seyfarth Shaw’s Corporate and Finance Practice Group. “We have long sought to strengthen the health care component of our corporate practice and these skilled and dynamic attorneys will help elevate our presence in the health care field.”

Seyfarth Shaw’s health care and pharmaceutical attorneys represent clients and organizations of all types across the health care industry providing counsel in several principal areas of health care and pharmaceutical law, including: licensing, distribution and product acquisitions; mergers and acquisitions; fraud and abuse, compliance and related regulations; labor and employment issues; intellectual property; financing; and other types of business issues. With the cross-disciplinary support of attorneys from Seyfarth Shaw’s other practice groups, the firm’s health care and pharmaceutical attorneys have the broad-based skill-set necessary to meet the complex and ever-changing needs of health care and pharmaceutical clients.

“We are delighted to welcome Neal and Tom to Seyfarth Shaw,” stated David J. Rowland, Managing Partner of Seyfarth Shaw’s Chicago office. “Neal and Tom are a good fit with both our business strategy for our office and with the collegial culture of our firm.”

Goldstein is admitted to practice law in Illinois. He received his B.S. from the University of Illinois and earned his J.D. from Loyola University Chicago School of Law. He was named one of the country's "Outstanding Physician Practice Lawyers" by *Nightingale's Healthcare News*. Goldstein has served as a guest lecturer at Loyola University Chicago School of Law's Institute for Health Law and as a reviewer for *The Law of Medical Practice in Illinois*.

Shapira is admitted to practice law in Illinois. He received his A.B. from Brown University and his J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania. He was named one of the country's most "Outstanding Healthcare Transaction Lawyers" in 2007 by *Nightingale's Healthcare News*. Shapira is a member of the American Health Lawyers Association, the Illinois Association of Healthcare Attorneys, the American Bar Association, and the Chicago Bar Association. He is also a guest lecturer at Loyola University Chicago School of Law's Institute for Health Law.

"On behalf of Tom and myself, we are honored to have the opportunity to join a growing health care practice with a strong national footprint that will enhance the level of resources we can offer to our clients," said Goldstein. "We are very excited to be a part of Seyfarth Shaw and look forward to our future with the firm."

Seyfarth Shaw has over 750 attorneys located in nine offices throughout the United States including Chicago; New York; Boston; Washington, D.C.; Atlanta; Houston; Los Angeles; San Francisco and Sacramento; as well as Brussels, Belgium. The firm provides a broad range of legal services in the areas of labor and employment, employee benefits, litigation and business services. Seyfarth Shaw's practice reflects virtually every industry and segment of the country's business and social fabric. Clients include over 300 of the *Fortune* 500 companies, financial institutions, newspapers and other media, hotels, health care organizations, airlines and railroads. The firm also represents a number of federal, state, and local governmental and educational entities. For more information, please visit [www.seyfarth.com](http://www.seyfarth.com).

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