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## GrayRobinson Announces Expansion of Gainesville Footprint in Innovation District

**Gainesville, Fla.** – <u>GrayRobinson, P.A.</u> (GrayRobinson), a full-service law and lobbying firm with 14 offices located across Florida and one in Washington, D.C., today announced it is expanding its Gainesville footprint with new office space in the <u>Innovation District</u>.

On March 1, 2021, GrayRobinson will be moving to a new Gainesville office, a 3,620 square-foot office suite in the state-of-the-art Ingenuity building located in the Innovation District. The Innovation District is located between the University of Florida (UF) and Downtown Gainesville.

"We are excited to expand our footprint in Gainesville and continue our crucial presence in the Innovation District," said GrayRobinson President and CEO <u>Dean Cannon</u>, who holds a J.D. and B.S. from UF; served as a UF Student Senator, Student Body President, and Vice President of Florida Blue Key; and is a part of the UF Hall of Fame. "It's been an incredible opportunity for our firm and clients to be in the heart of the UF innovative incubator. We look forward to continuing to be a part of the Gainesville fabric, and building upon the strategic partnerships our attorneys have made within the public, private, and non-profit sectors to support the area's economic development and prosperity."

GrayRobinson expanded its presence in North Central Florida in 2012 with Gainesville Managing Shareholder <u>Thomas C. McThenia</u> moving from Orlando and opening the original Gainesville office in the Innovation District at the suggestion of leadership at the UF Office of Technology Licensing. Over the last eight years, the Gainesville office has continued to expand, from its initial focus in Technology and <u>Intellectual Property</u> practice to bringing on attorneys, including shareholders, focused on labor and employment law, general civil litigation, government law, and health care law.

"We are thankful for GrayRobinson's contributions and opportunities to partner with our clients and help build our Gainesville community," said McThenia. "Even amid the challenged circumstances we all face in the pandemic, we are excited to move forward with growth in Gainesville. My colleagues and I are thrilled to continue to be a vital part of moving forward the vision of the Innovation District and larger Alachua County community shared vision of growing the innovative business, technology, and biotech communities in this part of Florida and around the state."

Gainesville Shareholders <u>Rupa Lloyd</u> and <u>Stephanie Marchman</u> assist in strategically leading the Gainesville practice and community involvement. GrayRobinson's Gainesville attorneys provide counsel for a range of clients, including businesses, technology companies, entrepreneurs, investors, government, and non-profits clients. Further, the Gainesville team provides general counsel services for technology, health care, and business clients; guidance on complex commercial and technology transactions; labor and employment advice; litigation representation; health care regulatory advice; and all fields of intellectual property, technology, and data protection.

Specifically, GrayRobinson's Gainesville offices play an active role in the Alachua County community through its support of local organizations and nonprofits and its involvement in the <u>Gainesville Chamber of</u> <u>Commerce</u>, <u>UF Innovate | Sid Martin Biotech</u>, and the <u>Innovation District</u>. GrayRobinson's Gainesville office

is proud to support the local American Heart Association at the Alachua County Heart Walk, Joey's Wings Foundation, the Ronald McDonald House, the Rotary Club of Gainesville Foundation, Peaceful Paths, Pace Center for Girls – Alachua, and Three Rivers Legal Services, to name a few.

"GrayRobinson has been such a great supporter of the Chamber since coming to Gainesville," said Greater Gainesville Chamber of Commerce President & CEO <u>Eric Godet, Sr</u>. "It has been a privilege to partner with them on several community events. We are just as excited as they are about their future here in Gainesville."

Mark Long, UF's Director of Incubation Services added, "It is a huge plus to have GrayRobinson's new office in the Gainesville Innovation District. Their new, expanded space demonstrates their commitment to the Alachua County entrepreneurial community, and we are excited to continue to host them in this growing downtown area!"

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