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### **Thomas Watson Is Elected Vice President of Portsmouth Athenaeum**

**Portsmouth, NH (March 2010)** –Thomas R. Watson, an attorney with the law firm of Wiggin & Nourie, P.A., was elected Vice President of the Portsmouth Athenaeum at its recent annual meeting.

Watson is a multi-service attorney, practicing in the areas of corporate law, business transactions, real estate and litigation. Practicing out of the Portsmouth office of Wiggin & Nourie, P.A., Watson counsels and represents individuals and corporate clients.

As Vice President of the Portsmouth Athenaeum, Watson will work with the organization to help fulfill its mission:

- To retain the tradition of serving as a locus of convivial interchange and intellectual discourse

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- To collect and preserve materials relevant to the study of the history of Portsmouth and the Piscataqua region
- To make these materials available to its Proprietors, to scholars, and to the general public.

Portsmouth Athenaeum was incorporated in 1817 and located in the heart of historic Portsmouth, New Hampshire. Membership libraries were first created in the 18<sup>th</sup> century for the mutual edification of their members and to elevate the educational resources available in the community. The name “Athenaeum” was used by a number of societies established during the nineteenth century to describe institutions with broader aims than just a library. The term is derived from Athena, the Greek goddess of wisdom, and the classical temple of the arts and sciences named to honor her. More information can be found on the Portsmouth Athenaeum website: [www.portsmouthathenaeum.org](http://www.portsmouthathenaeum.org)

Wiggin & Nourie, P.A., a multi-service law firm with offices in Manchester, Portsmouth, Merrimack, and Berlin New Hampshire, was founded in 1870. Practicing law in New Hampshire as well as several other New England states, the firm currently features 50 attorneys organized into multiple practice groups, including business, litigation, domestic relations, employment & benefits, insurance, estate planning & probate, auto industry, immigration, and real estate, land use & development. For more information, call 603.669.2211 or visit [www.wiggin-nourie.com](http://www.wiggin-nourie.com).

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