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## **PLDO Partner Brian J. Lamoureux to Address Warwick Elementary School PTO on “Cyberbullying and Online Safety”**

Rhode Island – March 1, 2018 – Pannone Lopes Devereaux & O’Gara LLC ([PLDO](#)) Partner Brian J. Lamoureux, a prominent business litigator and employment attorney who is a national voice on social and digital media law, will lead a discussion with parents and teachers at a Warwick elementary school to help raise awareness of the harmful consequences of cyberbullying and social media use by children without vigilant oversight by adults. Attorney Lamoureux’s presentation entitled, “Cyber-Bullying and Online Safety: Practical Tips for Parents,” will be held on Monday, March 5, 2018 beginning at 6 p.m. His remarks will cover the increasingly concerning effects of cyberbullying, constant “screentime,” and seemingly unlimited social media use by children. He will focus heavily on what current researchers are saying about these dangers and provide some best practices and tips for parents to keep in mind.

“I have had the privilege over many years to be invited to speak to parents, teachers and students about social media and its effects on children and their well-being,” said Attorney Lamoureux. “What started off as a fight against bullying – which remains a top concern – has now expanded to kids’ increasingly being diagnosed with anxiety, depression and other mental health issues due to their expanded use of social media and the number and type of platforms and apps they use. As we all know, constant screentime and social media use are here to stay, and we’re only beginning to see the effects on our children. Unfortunately, the early returns on these observations are quite alarming.”

Attorney Lamoureux is a member of PLDO’s Employment, Litigation and Corporate & Business Teams. His extensive practice areas include complex commercial litigation, employment law, construction law, social media law, and creditors’ rights. In addition to being an accomplished business litigator, he is a frequent guest speaker, published author and broadcast commentator on social and digital media legal issues in the news, having made appearances on WPRI-TV, WJAR-TV, WPRO-AM, and NECN-TV. He also created and teaches an MBA-level course called “Digital and Social Media in the Business Environment” at Providence College, where

he received a B.A. in Political Science, *cum laude*. In 2011, he was honored for his achievements by *Providence Business News* with a *40 Under Forty* award.

Attorney Lamoureux holds a Master of Arts degree in Political Science from the University of Rhode Island and earned his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the Syracuse University College of Law. At the same time, he received a Master of Public Administration from the Maxwell School of Citizenship and Public Affairs. He is qualified to serve as a receiver in Rhode Island Superior Court.

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