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## **Attorney Robert Messick Retires from Icard Merrill After 45 Years of Dedicated Service**

**SARASOTA, FL** – Robert Messick, attorney with the law firm of Icard, Merrill, Cullis, Timm, Furen, and Ginsburg, P.A., has announced his retirement. Mr. Messick’s accomplishments are extensive. He has dedicated time and commitment to public service with Mote Marine Board from 1995 to 2000; has been a member of their Advisory Board and has served on the Board of Directors as the Advisory Board Chair. He also served on the Greater Sarasota Chamber of Commerce Board for more than 10 years; on the Executive Committee for more than five years; held the title of Chairman from 2009-2010; and served on the Economic Development Council Board from 2014 to 2019.

Robert Messick has concentrated his practice in the areas of real estate, commercial land development, banking, commercial transactional law, and commercial real property foreclosures and restructures – representing primarily commercial lenders, as well as developers. Bob’s commercial lending and banking practice has involved the representation of both institutional and private lenders in all facets of commercial loan transactions including real estate, industrial, as well as asset-based lending.

Bob’s real estate practice has included the representation of clients in purchase and sale transactions, including drafting contracts, completing due diligence, and handling land acquisition and property closings for commercial and residential properties. He has also assisted clients with commercial landlord-tenant dealings and negotiated leases with a focus on developer/landlord transactions. Bob has handled litigation in the areas of real property, commercial foreclosure, and creditor bankruptcy rights related to real estate interest and commercial loan transactions.

Bob has made rewarding public service contributions and has been “giving back” to the community in Sarasota for more than 25 years, all as a representative of the firm.

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