

## ARTHUR A MARRAPESE, III JOINS HODGSON RUSS

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Arthur A. Marrapese III, Esq., has joined Hodgson Russ LLP as a partner in the firm's Employee Benefits Practice Group.

Mr. Marrapese has practiced employee benefits law since 1986, and his extensive experience covers all aspects of this field. He advises clients on risk management and administrative matters and regularly assists clients in the design and documentation of group-based and individualized employee benefit plans. Mr. Marrapese's clients include plan sponsors, employee benefit plan trustees, custodians, retirement plan record keepers, and investment advisory firms. He also represents plan sponsors in litigation involving fiduciary and benefits claims.

Mr. Marrapese earned a B.A. from Hobart College and a J.D. from the University at Buffalo Law School, State University of New York.

With more than 220 attorneys practicing in all major areas of law, Hodgson Russ is among the 200 largest law firms headquartered in the United States. It is one of approximately 100 firms in the country listed in America's Greatest Places to Work With a Law Degree. In June 2005, Hodgson Russ received the Carol S. Knox Family-Friendly Employer Award from the Capital District Women's Bar Association. The Firm, which was established in 1817 and is among the oldest law firms in the United States, is the only law firm that can count two former U.S. presidents, Millard Fillmore and Grover Cleveland, among its alumni. Hodgson Russ has seven offices: Albany, Buffalo, and Johnstown, and two in New York, New York; Boca Raton, Florida; and Toronto, Ontario, Canada.

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