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Troutman Pepper Locke Expands Northeast Presence in The Bond Buyer Mid-Year 2026 Report, Ranking Among Region's Top Bond Counsel

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BOSTON – Troutman Pepper Locke's Public Finance Practice Group continues to deliver on important bond counsel matters across the Northeast, earning new recognition in two markets and ranking No. 6 in the region in *The Bond Buyer*'s mid-year 2026 report. Nationally, the firm recorded the second-highest deal count as bond counsel for competitive issues in the first half of 2026, a mark of the firm's strong reputation and activity in the market.

Across the Northeast region, the firm earned strong state-level rankings, including No. 2 in Massachusetts, No. 3 in Rhode Island, and No. 5 in New Hampshire. The firm also ranked for the first time as No. 3 in Maine and No. 5 in Connecticut, underscoring a broadening footprint across the region.

"These rankings reflect the significant growth our team has driven throughout the Northeast, and we are proud to see that work recognized," said Rick Manley, leader of Troutman Pepper Locke's Public Finance Practice Group. "We bring one of the largest bond counsel practices in the country to every transaction, and that experience is what drives results for our clients."

Just a few of Troutman Pepper Locke's recent notable public finance matters include representing the:

1. North Texas Tollway Authority in connection with its First Tier Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2026A and North Texas Tollway Authority System Second Tier Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2026B, valued at $800 million.
2. City of Boston, Massachusetts, in connection with its issuance of General Obligation Bonds, 2026 Series A, and General Obligation Refunding Bonds, 2026 Series B, valued at $609.7 million.
3. Massachusetts Housing Finance Agency in connection with the issuance of $169.75 million Single Family Housing Revenue Bonds, Series 252-254.
4. City of Cambridge, Massachusetts, in connection with its annual capital improvement program bond financings valued at $144.42 million.
5. Northeastern University in connection with the issuance of $436.4 million Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Revenue Bonds, Northeastern University Issue, Series 2026A.
6. Maine Department of Transportation in connection with the Maine Municipal Bond Bank's issuance of $250 million in Transportation Infrastructure Revenue Bonds under the TransCap Program, comprising Highway and

Bridge Bonds, Series 2026A and General Transportation Project Bonds, Series 2026A (Federally Taxable).

7. Narragansett Bay Commission in connection with the issuance of the Commission's $75 million Wastewater System Revenue Bonds, 2026 Series A.
8. Brandeis University in connection with the issuance of $37.65 million Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Revenue Bonds, Brandeis University Issue, Series U-1 (2026) and $29.44 million Massachusetts Development Finance Agency Revenue Bonds, Brandeis University Issue, Series U-2 (2026).
9. Miami-Dade County, Florida, in connection with its Capital Asset Acquisition Special Obligation Bonds, Series 2026A, valued at $455 million.
10. Palm Beach County, Florida, in connection with its Revenue Refunding Bonds, Series 2025, valued at $80 million.
11. Wells Fargo and five other co-managers, in connection with the $333.72 million State of Wisconsin General Obligation Refunding Bonds of 2026, Series 1 and $128.32 million State of Wisconsin General Obligation Refunding Bonds of 2027, Series 1 (Forward Delivery).
12. Housing Authority of the City of Port Arthur, in connection with the issuance of $41.05 million Residential Development Revenue Bonds (Willow Lakes Project), Senior Credit Enhanced 2026 Series A, $11.05 million Subordinate 2026 Series A-S-A, and $10.47 million Subordinate 2026 Series A-S-B.
13. J.P. Morgan and three other co-managers, in connection with the City of Fort Worth, Texas Special Tax Revenue Bonds (Convention Center Venue Project), Series 2026, valued at $529.79 million.

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