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## Experienced Real Estate and Affordable Housing Attorney Joins Vorys in Washington, D.C.

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Vorys announced that Mo Smith has joined the firm as a partner in the Washington, D.C. office. Smith has more than a decade of experience helping developers in the acquisition, development, and disposition of complex multi-family affordable housing projects. He also has significant experience helping clients utilize a broad range of financing and real estate tools for development projects.

"We're excited to welcome Mo to our office and our firm," said Sean Purcell, the managing partner of the Vorys Washington, D.C. office. "His experience will enhance our nationally known U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development financing practice; as well as our federal and state economic development incentives practices."

In his practice, Smith advises clients on all aspects of the development process from acquisition and construction through "Year 15" exits and project resyndication. His experience also includes closing transactions involving Low-Income Housing Tax Credits, the Rental Administration Development (RAD) program, tax-exempt bonds, mixed-finance/public housing, and various U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) financing programs. He also has extensive experience structuring "9/4 twin" transactions, negotiating joint ventures, and solving real estate issues to facilitate project development using condominiums, ground lease and easements.

"I began practicing law to help solve the housing crisis by working with developers to find solutions in creating more affordable housing," said Smith. "Joining Vorys provides me with a platform to expand this important work."

Smith received his J.D. from the Howard University School of Law and his B.A. from Brown University.

**About Vorys:** Vorys was established in 1909 and currently has nearly 375 attorneys in eight offices in Ohio, Washington, D.C., Texas, Pennsylvania and California. Vorys currently ranks as one of the 200 largest law firms in the United States according to *American Lawyer* magazine.