

Continued Growth for McCarter & English's Corporate Practice in Boston with the Addition of Jonathan Guest

Boston, Mass. (February 23, 2010) - McCarter & English announced today that Jonathan Guest has joined the firm as a partner in the Boston office's Corporate, Securities and Financial Institutions Group. He joins the firm from Greenberg Traurig, where he was a Shareholder and formerly head of its Corporate and Securities Department in Boston.

Guest concentrates his practice in corporate and securities law including debt and equity finance (public and private offerings including shelf regulations, registered direct offerings, PIPEs and rights offerings), corporate governance (Sarbanes-Oxley compliance), and domestic and cross-border mergers and acquisitions. He has also advised early-stage companies concerning matters of entity selection, capital structure, "angel" and venture capital finance, secured loans, executive compensation, intellectual property protection, and technology licensing.

"We are very pleased to welcome Jonathan to the firm," said Burton Winnick, Boston Office managing Partner. "As we continue to expand our corporate practice in Boston, Jonathan's wealth of knowledge, specifically his experience working with clients in the bio-tech, natural resources and energy industries, will be a valuable asset to the firm. Along with other recent hires this year in Boston, we are proud of the team we've built here and the quality of expertise we can offer our clients."

Guest represents publicly-traded U.S., Canadian, U.K. and Australian companies involved in pharmaceuticals and drug development, oil and gas as well as natural resource exploration and production, and commercial real estate. He has also advised companies engaged in telecommunications, e-commerce, and software. In addition, Guest has extensive experience with federal and state securities law matters encountered by foreign companies seeking to raise capital and have their securities traded in the United States.

"What attracted me to McCarter was its broad and solid platform of expertise, particularly its Intellectual Property, Emerging Companies and International practices, which all complement my background in those areas," said Guest.

With the addition of Guest, McCarter continues its rapid growth in the biotech and emerging companies industries over the last 12 months, during which time the firm has added more than 20 professionals to the Boston office alone. Most recently, corporate partner Richard Lucash joined the office in January.

Guest earned his LL.M. in Taxation from Boston University School of Law and his J.D. from Cornell Law School. He received his B.A., cum laude, from Wesleyan University with honors. An active member of his community, Guest serves as a member of the Board of Directors for the Hereditary Disease Foundation.

About the Emerging Companies Group

McCarter's Emerging Companies Group is composed of tech-savvy lawyers dedicated to helping entrepreneurs build and finance their businesses. Lawyers in McCarter's Emerging Companies Group have helped build, grow, sell or take public companies across the full spectrum of businesses, including, healthcare, software, medical devices, new media, life sciences, cleantech, consumer products, biotechnology, retail, e-commerce, entertainment, financial services, insurance and telecom.

About the Corporate, Securities and Financial Institutions Practice

McCarter is general counsel to many public and private companies based in the Northeast and Mid-Atlantic regions and elsewhere, and also represents a number of enterprises as special counsel in transactions. The firm's attorneys are experienced in all aspects of SEC compliance, public and private offerings of securities, corporate governance, mergers and acquisitions, going private transactions and leveraged buy-outs. McCarter also represents, as principal counsel, lenders and borrowers in substantial public and private financings, both secured and unsecured, and has an extensive corporate finance practice involving venture capital and small business investment companies (SBICs).

About McCarter & English

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