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Wiley to resign post; Lee elected Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer

After more than 25 years as Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer of Dickie McCamey, Jeffrey T. Wiley chose not to seek re-election; and Christopher T. Lee has been elected to the position.

During his tenure, Mr. Wiley led the firm's organic expansion to 20 offices in 11 states. Maintaining the firm's high retention rate of lawyers and staff throughout this growth is a testament to Mr. Wiley's management skills, exercised with unassailable personal integrity. Trust and support are often used to describe his management style, earning him the respect of colleagues and clients alike.

Mr. Wiley earned his Juris Doctor from Case Western Reserve University School of Law and joined Dickie McCamey in May of 1985 after serving in the Allegheny County's District Attorney's office. Before taking his formal leadership position, Mr. Wiley was lead counsel in multiple trials for some of the firm's largest health care and transportation clients.

In conjunction with this decision, Mr. Lee was endorsed by Mr. Wiley as his successor. As the current Managing Attorney of the firm's Pittsburgh and Williamsport offices, Mr. Lee and the firm are well positioned to build on Mr. Wiley's legacy following the deliberate implementation of a well-thought-out succession plan.

Dickie McCamey shareholders recently elected Mr. Lee as Managing Director and Chief Operating Officer, effective January 1, 2024.

Accepting this endorsement, Mr. Lee commented: "Jeff managed the firm in his own way with the unique combination of being fair, yet firm – direct, yet decent. Jeff's true baseline is that he is, through and through, a fundamentally good person."

"The scope of the task ahead is not lost on me," Mr. Lee said. "I am not replacing him, because that simply cannot be done. Fortunately, this is only a transition for Jeff, as he will remain an invaluable asset to the firm going forward."

"No one is better suited than Chris to assume this position. As part of the transition, he and I have been working together on firm affairs for years, most recently in his role as attorney in charge of our Pittsburgh office," Mr. Wiley said. "He has been and will continue to be instrumental in moving this firm forward and always has its best interest at heart. He's excellent at what he does. He has the utmost integrity and character. He is well-regarded and highly respected by our lawyers and staff. I cannot speak highly enough about him, and it's a privilege to enthusiastically endorse him."

Mr. Lee joined DMC in 1991 after graduating from the Thomas R. Kline School of Law of Duquesne University and was the founder and chair of DMC's Food and Beverage Industry Group. He has served as Managing Attorney of the Pittsburgh office since 2016.