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## **McNees Ranked in Top 5 by The Bond Buyer for Bond Counsel and Underwriting Counsel in Pennsylvania for 2016**

HARRISBURG, PA (February 16, 2017) – McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC was ranked fifth in Pennsylvania in the 2016 Bond Counsel Rankings by *The Bond Buyer*. The firm also was ranked fourth in Pennsylvania in the 2016 Bond Underwriter's Counsel, and is one of just two firms to appear in the top five in both lists.

McNees was ranked the No. 1 Pennsylvania bond counsel firm by dollar volume for the year 2013, according to *The Bond Buyer's* annual publication of top Bond Counsel firms.

The rankings are based on dollar volume for the year.

"Our public finance attorneys are committed to providing unparalleled service, and our clients have recognized the quality of that service by engaging us to assist them," McNees Chairman David M. Kleppinger said. "We are proud to have been recognized as one of the leading bond counsel firms in Pennsylvania."

Co-chaired by Donna L. Kreiser and Daniel J. Malpezzi, the McNees Financial Services and Public Finance practice group provides bond counsel services to a variety of state and local government issuers, health care providers, higher education institutions, and nonprofit organizations. It also served as bond counsel to many state and local government issuers, including the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, in general obligation issues and many state agencies in various types of revenue issues.

The state agencies include the Commonwealth Financing Authority, the Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission, the Pennsylvania Economic Development Financing Authority and the State Public School Building Authority. McNees has also served as special tax counsel to the Pennsylvania Higher Education Assistance Agency.

The McNees local government bond counsel clients have included many counties, cities, boroughs, townships, school districts and authorities across Pennsylvania, such as Lancaster County, Cumberland County, Dauphin County, the City of Lancaster, Montgomery County, Hummelstown Borough, Derry Township, Swatara Township, Athens Area School District, Columbia Borough School District, Mount Pocono Municipal Authority and Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority.



In addition to serving as bond counsel to issuers, McNees also represents participants in financings including for-profit and nonprofit borrowers, underwriters, banks, trust companies and other financial institutions. The nonprofit borrowers McNees has represented include many healthcare and higher educational institutions, such as Evangelical Community Hospital, Hanover Hospital, Gettysburg College, Dickinson College and Elizabethtown College.

McNees also works with governments on related public finance matters such as the legality of various types of investments, the sale or leasing of assets, and the relationship between municipalities and their authorities.

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