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McNees Attorneys to Moderate Roundtable Discussion on Recent PA Supreme Court Data Breach Case

HARRISBURG, Pa. – (February 26, 2019) McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC attorneys **Devin Chwastyk** and **Thomas Markey** are scheduled to moderate a roundtable discussion on the recent Pennsylvania Supreme Court data breach case *Dittman v. UPMC*. The event, which will be held on Wednesday, February 27, is sponsored by the Law Offices of Peter J. Russo, P.C., the In-House Counsel and Cybersecurity & Data Privacy Committees of the PBA, the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the Association of Corporate Counsel, and the Dauphin and Cumberland County Bar Associations.

In the *Dittman v. UPMC* case, Pennsylvania's highest court held that employers owe their employees a duty to exercise reasonable care when collecting and storing personal and financial information. It also called into question the viability of the economic loss doctrine, which bars tort claims involving only pecuniary loss. The roundtable discussion will thoroughly cover this landmark case and its far-reaching implications for businesses in the Commonwealth and the attorneys who provide legal advice and counsel to them. It will also provide practical guidance on how to protect information, respond to data breaches, and avoid liability.



Devin Chwastyk is Chair of the McNees Privacy & Data Security Practice Group where he advises clients on how to get ahead of data exposure by developing data security policies, privacy disclosures, breach response plans, and associated training programs. Devin helps clients remedy and report security breach events.



Thomas Markey practices in the McNees Privacy & Data Security Practice Group where he advises clients on compliance with the EU General Data Protection Regulation; the self-certification process under the EU-U.S. and Swiss-U.S. Privacy Shield; and compliance with U.S. privacy and data breach notification laws.

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