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McNees Chairman Presented With The 2018 Christianson Award



HARRISBURG, Pa. (May 24, 2018) — The Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA) Public Utility Law Section presented its Christianson Award to McNees Wallace & Nurick LLC Chairman David M. Kleppinger on May 24 during the Public Utility Bench Bar Conference at the Hilton Harrisburg.

The award is named in honor of Robert A. Christianson, a former chief administrative law judge for the Public Utility Commission and recognizes an individual who has made an outstanding contribution to the development, improvement and advancement of the profession of public utility law. David is the second McNees attorney to be awarded this honor, joining Herbert R. Nurick, who was the recipient of the award in 2014.

In addition to serving as Chairman at McNees, David also serves as Chair of the Political Action Committee and is an ex officio member of all other firm committees. He practices as a member of the Energy & Environmental and Government Relations practice groups and represents large commercial and industrial consumers of fixed utility services including electricity, natural gas, water/wastewater, and communications, as well as providers of these services.

David serves on many organizational and non-profit boards. He is a board member of The United Way of the Capital Region, including Chair in 2016 and Campaign Chair in 2013. He also is a past board member and chairman (2011-2012) of The Foundation for Enhancing Communities; the Vice Chair (2014-2016) for Team Pennsylvania Foundation; and a board member for the Jonathan Eshenour Foundation. In December of 2016, David was elected as the first vice chair of The Pennsylvania Chamber of Business and Industry's Board of Directors.

David is a member of The Pennsylvania State University, Board of Trustees. From 2013-2015, David was the Chairman for the Pennsylvania State University, College of Liberal Arts Political Science Department, Board of Visitors, a Board in which he has served since 2008.

David received his J.D. from Temple University School of Law and his B.A. from The Pennsylvania State University. He is a member of the American Bar Association, Law Practice Management Section and the Pennsylvania Bar Association, Public Utility Law Section.

Founded in 1895, the Pennsylvania Bar Association strives to promote justice, professional excellence and respect for the law; improve public understanding of the legal system; facilitate access to legal services; and serve the 27,000 lawyers who are members of the association.



McNees is a full-service law firm based in central Pennsylvania with more than 130 attorneys representing corporations, associations, institutions and individuals. The firm serves clients worldwide from offices in Harrisburg, Lancaster, State College and Scranton, PA; Columbus, OH; Frederick, MD; and Washington, D.C. McNees is also a member of the ALFA International Global Legal Network.

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