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McNees Announces New Practice Group

HARRISBURG, PA (Feb. 3, 2016) McNees Wallace & Nurick continues its growth with the addition of its Privacy & Data Security Practice Group, effective Jan. 1, 2016.

The newly formed group, consisting of a forward-thinking and collaborative team of attorneys, will meld the extensive experience of the firm's practices into an integrated practice group, that is dedicated to developing and implementing practical solutions to privacy threats across industries and managing the risk in this area by advising clients how to protect data and how to be "compromise ready" in the event of a data breach. The formation of the Privacy & Data Security Practice provides a vehicle for the firm to offer a full-range of legal services to clients.

Practice group members include:

- Devin J. Chwastyk, Chair
- Michael Hund
- Louis Dejoie
- Donald Kaufman
- Elaine Stanko
- John Greenleaf
- Brian Gregg

"McNees lawyers have substantial experience litigating data breach cases and providing advice on privacy issues across a spectrum of industries, including to businesses, retailers, financial institutions, and health care providers. The formation of the Privacy & Data Security Group will enable us to concentrate on the emerging data security issues that concern our clients. Our attorneys can efficiently guide clients through the maze of international, federal, and state laws governing privacy, and help those clients manage risks and respond to data breaches," said practice group chair, Devin Chwastyk.

McNees's interdisciplinary Privacy & Data Security Practice Group includes attorneys from the firm's Corporate & Tax, Health Care, Financial Services, Intellectual Property, Litigation, and Securities groups.



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## **McNees Announces New Practice Group Chair**

HARRISBURG, PA (Feb. 5, 2016) – McNees names Devin J. Chwastyk as Chair of the Firm's Privacy & Data Security Practice Group, effective Jan. 1, 2016.



Devin, Of Counsel in the McNees Litigation Practice Group, focuses his practice on complex commercial litigation, with an emphasis on class actions, privacy and data security, constitutional law, intellectual property disputes, and appellate litigation. He counsels the firm's clients in data breaches, including rectifying, investigating, and reporting hacking and other data exposure events, and has represented parties in leading data breach litigation nationwide.

Devin has been named to the Pennsylvania Rising Star® list since 2010. He has long been a supporter of civil rights causes, and served for six years as the President of the Central Pennsylvania Chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union, where he remains a member of the board. Before joining McNees, he worked in Washington, D.C. for a First Amendment advocacy organization and for a public interest law firm.

Devin received his J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center, cum laude and his undergraduate degree from The Pennsylvania State University. He is admitted to practice in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania; before the Pennsylvania Supreme Court; before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third and Ninth Circuits; before the United States District Courts for the Eastern and Middle Districts of Pennsylvania. He is a member of the Pennsylvania and Dauphin County Bar Associations, where he serves as Vice-Chair of the Equal Professional Opportunity Committee and on the Board of Directors.

Devin can be reached at dchwastyk@mwn.com or 717.237.5482.

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