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**DEEB, PETRAKIS, BLUM & MURPHY NAMES**

**ADAM BARRIST AND J. COLIN KNISELY PARTNERS**

**(Philadelphia, PA., July 8, 2010)** – [Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy, P.C.](#) has named Adam S. Barrist, Esq. and J. Colin Knisely, Esq. partners at the Philadelphia law firm.

“Both Adam and Colin have distinguished themselves in their respective areas of practice,” said Peter Deeb, managing partner of the firm. “Their unique talents add great value to our firm and have contributed to our growth in the past several years.”

Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy added four attorneys in the past year, and recently expanded office space at its location at 1601 Market Street.

Barrist joined the firm in 2004 with experience in civil matters. He currently focuses his practice on commercial litigation, tort litigation, and contract negotiation, with success in many high-profile catastrophic injury cases and construction disputes. He has handled a wide array of cases in the state and federal courts of Pennsylvania and New Jersey and has conducted employment contract negotiation on behalf of television celebrity talent.

Licensed to practice in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and New York, Barrist is a lifelong Philadelphian who graduated with honors from The University of Pennsylvania and earned a JD degree from Villanova Law School. He lived in France for a significant portion of his life, is fluent in French, and has represented French-speaking clients in litigation. Earlier this year, he published a Philadelphia-themed fictional legal thriller entitled [The Concrete Lawyer](#).

Knisely joined Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy in 2006, after practicing for several years in Cleveland, Ohio. His practice is currently focused on commercial and tort litigation. He has tried cases in state and federal courts in Pennsylvania, New Jersey, and Ohio.

Licensed to practice in Pennsylvania and Ohio, Knisley is a magna cum laude graduate of Allegheny College and holds a JD degree from Case Western Reserve University School of Law.

### **About Deeb Petrakis Blum & Murphy, PC**

Founded in 1989, Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy, P.C. is a full-service law firm with headquarters in Center City Philadelphia and offices in Princeton, NJ. The 30-person firm offers legal services spanning commercial litigation, commercial finance transactions, general corporate representation, construction and real estate law, employment law, bankruptcy and debt restructuring, and estate planning. Drawing on innovative technology and insightful research, the firm delivers collaborative senior-level personal service dedicated to its clients' success.

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