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NAMED TO BOARD OF NATIONAL KIDNEY FOUNDATION

(Philadelphia, PA., July 1, 2010) – Joseph H. Blum, a partner at the law firm of [Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy, P.C.](#), has been named to the Board of Directors of the [National Kidney Foundation Serving the Delaware Valley](#).

“The National Kidney Foundation makes such a significant, positive impact on individuals dealing with kidney disease and their families,” Blum said. “I look forward to doing what I can to further their efforts to raise awareness of the risk factors and support those living with chronic kidney disease.”

“More than one in eight American adults has chronic kidney disease, and another 20 million are at increased risk,” said Division President Joanne Spink. “Many people are unaware that hypertension, diabetes and a family history are linked to kidney disease, and that African Americans, Hispanics, Native Americans and Pacific Islanders are at increased risk. Early detection through simple tests can keep the disease from progressing to kidney failure.”

The NKF Serving the Delaware Valley supports kidney disease and transplant patients through research, patient support groups, public and professional educational programs, and a transportation reimbursement fund for low-income patients. More than 10,000 area residents are on dialysis and thousands wait for kidney transplants.

At Deeb, Petrakis, Blum & Murphy, Mr. Blum practices in the area of complicated commercial and tort matters in both State and Federal courts, and assists clients in their response to government investigations and subpoenas.

A former police officer, Mr. Blum is a member of the American Bar Association's Litigation Pretrial Practice and Discovery Committee and the Philadelphia Bar Association's Technology Committee. He is also a member of The American, Pennsylvania and Philadelphia Trial Lawyers Associations.

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