

Alex Shumate Tapped for Key Firmwide Role

Columbus (20 November 2009) – Alex Shumate, the longtime head of the Columbus office of Squire, Sanders & Dempsey L.L.P. and a Columbus civic leader, is now the firm’s global managing partner for regions. Shumate will provide strategic and operational guidance to the firm’s regions and offices in the United States, Asia, Europe and Latin America.

“Alex is a great example of the true business adviser,” said firm Chair James J. Maiwurm. “His background is unique. He has years of leadership experience gained from guiding our Columbus office, now one of the best known in the Columbus business community. He counsels nationally and internationally prominent companies on major and strategic business decisions.

“As a result, he is very skilled at promoting a culture that emphasizes delivering excellent client service, and this will be a tremendous benefit for the lawyers who head our regions and offices around the world.”

Shumate said he is fortunate to take on a new role within Squire Sanders while continuing as an active leader in the Columbus and Ohio business community. He is a corporate board member for The J.M. Smucker Company and Cincinnati Bell Inc. Previously, he served as director of Nationwide Financial Services, Inc., Wm. Wrigley Jr. Company, The Limited, Inc. and Bank One, and he is also a former chairman of the Greater Columbus Chamber of Commerce. Shumate serves on The Ohio State University Board of Trustees, Capitol South Community Urban Redevelopment Corporation and Wexner Center for the Arts, and is a director of the John Glenn Institute.

“I’m excited to have this great opportunity to work more closely with my colleagues in our offices around the globe,” he said.

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