

Grant & Eisenhofer Adds Kyle McGee, Head of Firm's Environmental Litigation Group, to Executive Committee

WILMINGTON, DEL. (February 12, 2021) – Leading plaintiffs law firm Grant & Eisenhofer announced that director Kyle J. McGee, who leads the firm's environmental litigation group, has been appointed to the Executive Committee.

Launched in 2017, G&E's environmental group represents numerous state, county and municipal government agencies and other public entities in large-scale litigations against corporate polluters that have damaged critical natural resources. Under Mr. McGee's leadership, the environmental litigation group has recovered substantial damages from polluters and manufacturers of toxic industrial contaminants, including a \$52 million recovery on behalf of the D.C. government relating to polychlorinated biphenyl (PCB) contamination in the Anacostia and Potomac Rivers.

G&E's environmental group currently leads actions across the country on behalf of attorneys general in numerous states against major chemical manufacturers and processors and historic owner/operators of contaminated industrial sites, including DuPont, 3M, Monsanto, Sherwin-Williams, Sterigenics and others. The group has expertise in the law and science of industrial contaminants including per- and polyfluoroalkyl substances (PFAS), PCBs, ethylene oxide, lead, arsenic, and benzene, and has experience prosecuting claims regarding injuries to groundwater, surface waters, fish and wildlife, air, stormwater/wastewater, soils and sediments, and other public and natural resources.

Mr. McGee joined G&E immediately after completing a research degree in Edinburgh, UK, in 2009, where he was part of a team of lawyers in an extended securities fraud case against Merck that led to a \$688 million recovery. Mr. McGee was also part of the G&E team representing plaintiffs in a headline class action against Volkswagen, Audi, and Porsche over the auto makers' deceptive diesel emissions software, which necessitated the recall of more than a half-million vehicles in the U.S.; the eventual settlement was valued at some \$15 billion.

"It's a pleasure to add Kyle to our Executive Committee," said G&E co-founder and managing director **Jay Eisenhofer**. "Since arriving fresh out of law school, Kyle has made a steady march forward through the firm, contributing significantly to our successes in whistleblower matters and consumer cases, and more recently establishing our environmental group, which is certain to expand further under his direction."

Mr. McGee commented on the importance of advancing his group's docket. "Our environmental litigation clients are public agencies and offices waging a critical fight to roll back decades of indiscriminate contamination of the natural environment and to shift the financial burden of restoring the environment back where it belongs, with the private companies that profited off those injuries," he said. "We are committed to helping advance our clients' mission of defending the health and safety of their communities exposed to industrial contamination, restoring their vital natural resources and protecting access to drinkable water and breathable air."

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