

## Joseph Lubertazzi, Jr., Named Chair of Executive Committee

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McCarter & English is pleased to announce that Joseph Lubertazzi, Jr., has been named chair of the firm's Executive Committee, effective October 1, 2019. Joe has been with McCarter for almost 35 years and is a partner in the firm's Bankruptcy & Commercial Litigation practice. He has served on the Executive Committee since 2015. He will succeed Michael P. Kelly, who decided to step down after a decade as chair and will devote himself to doing what he loves: Trying cases.

"McCarter & English is incredibly fortunate in its people—to have leaders who are brilliant, energetic, and selfless. Our firm and our clients have had the benefit of Mike Kelly's guidance for a decade as chair. His vision, integrity, and dedication to others have embodied the character of our firm and been the driving force behind our strategic advances," said Joseph Boccassini, firmwide managing partner. "Like Mike, Joe Lubertazzi is a determined and visionary leader. Joe was appointed by the Executive Committee for his unique management ability, commitment to the firm's strategic plan, and because he has consistently set an example of putting the interests of his clients and the firm ahead of his own."

Mike, who is a partner in the firm's Business Litigation practice, added, "I have witnessed firsthand Joe's commitment to pro bono and diversity and to maintaining the firm's collegial culture, including his mentorship of lawyers in every office and practice area. He has the foresight, wisdom, and enthusiasm to lead McCarter into another era of success with a continued focus on providing exceptional client service."

"I am grateful to have served alongside Mike on the Executive Committee over the years and look forward to continuing to work with him. Undoubtedly, his leadership has helped prepare the firm to overcome the challenges of a dynamic industry and reinforced McCarter's commitment to delivering the very best in client service," said Joe Lubertazzi. "I take this position on with a pledge to support the firm's culture, to consistently exceed our clients' expectations and help them accomplish their legal and business objectives, to assist my partners, to enhance the firm's diversity profile, and to continue serving our communities."

Joe continued, "Next year we will celebrate McCarter's 175th anniversary. Our firm today looks much different from when I started 35 years ago, but one thing we have never done is stand still. I look forward to leading a team that continues to evolve and innovate, and that has been at the forefront of legal practice from complex litigations to sophisticated transactional work involving

blockchain, cryptocurrency, and cybersecurity matters. We will continue to be a robust, vibrant, and profitable firm in which to enjoy a fulfilling professional life.”

Additional Media Coverage:

“Lubertazzi Named Chairman of McCarter & English Executive Committee”

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