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Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson Welcomes New Partner C. Stokes McConnell, Jr.

Baton Rouge, LA-Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, L.L.P. (BSW) is pleased to announce that C. Stokes McConnell, Jr. has joined the firm's Public Finance Group in its Baton Rouge office. Stokes McConnell has over 35 years of public finance experience and is licensed to practice law in the State of Louisiana and the District of Columbia. "I'm excited to be joining Breazeale, Sachse & Wilson, one of the most respected and prestigious law firms in Louisiana," said Stokes McConnell.

Stokes McConnell serves as bond counsel to the state and several of its agencies, public trusts and other issuing authorities with emphasis on transactions beneficial to nonprofit 501(c)(3) organizations, public and private higher education institutions and hospitals and other healthcare organizations. In addition, he has extensive experience as underwriter's counsel for both national and regional underwriting firms on transactions involving public and private higher education institutions, and hospitals and other healthcare organizations. Stokes McConnell has served as a panelist at the annual National Association of Bond Lawyers Workshop and often speaks on healthcare finance and on continuing disclosure responsibilities in public finance.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from Louisiana State University in 1969, Stokes McConnell went on to earn his J.D. from that same university in 1972. He has an AV[®] Peer Review Rating from Martindale-Hubbell and belongs to several professional organizations, including the National Association of Bond Lawyers and the Louisiana Society for Hospital Attorneys.

"We're thrilled that Stokes McConnell is joining us," BSW's managing partner, Scott Hensgens, said. "His experience in public finance will be a great addition to the BSW team as we continue to strengthen our presence in the public finance industry and grow our firm."

Richard Leibowitz, Partner and head of the Public Finance Group at BSW, said, "I have known and worked with Stokes for many years. He is an outstanding attorney, and I am delighted he is joining the firm. We are fortunate to welcome someone of Stokes McConnell's considerable stature to our team."

BSW was founded in Baton Rouge in 1928. Today, BSW is a multi-specialty law firm with 70 attorneys serving the legal and business needs of people and companies throughout Louisiana. The firm has offices in Baton Rouge, New Orleans, and Covington. For more information, please contact Margaret A. Martin, 225-376-3640.