ATTORNEY GREGORY S. MAGER GRANTED FELLOWSHIP IN THE AMERICAN ACADEMY OF MATRIMONIAL LAWYERS

Attorney Gregory S. Mager has been granted Fellowship in the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers. He is recognized by judges and attorneys as a preeminent family law attorney with a high level of knowledge, skill, professionalism, and integrity, as well as having substantial experience and ability to handle all facets of complex family law matters. These areas include divorce, annulment, prenuptial and postnuptial agreements, marital settlement agreements, child custody and visitation, business valuations, property valuations and division, alimony, child support and other family law issues. To be represented by a Fellow of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers is to be represented by a leading practitioner in the field of family law.

Attorney Mager is a shareholder with the law firm of O'Neil Cannon He graduated from Marquette University with an undergraduate degree in political science and philosophy, and has a graduate degree in political science. He received his Juris Doctor degree from Marquette University Law School.

BEST LAWYERS® RECOGNIZES 10 ATTORNEYS FROM O'NEIL, CANNON, HOLLMAN, DEJONG AND LAING S.C.

Ten attorneys from the law firm of O'Neil Cannon were selected for inclusion in the 2013 edition of T*he Best Lawyers in America*®. Nearly 1/3 of the Firm's attorneys were listed in 16 distinct practice areas to include:

- James G. DeJong – Corporate Law; Mergers and Acquisitions Law; Securities/Capital Markets Law
- Seth E. Dizard – Bankruptcy and Creditor Debtor Rights; Insolvency and Reorganization Law; Litigation–Bankruptcy
- Peter J. Faust – Corporate Law
- John G. Gehringer – Commercial Litigation; Construction Law; Corporate Law; Real Estate Law
- Dennis W. Hollman – Corporate Law; Trusts and Estates
- Dean P. Laing – Commercial Litigation; Personal Injury Litigation–Plaintiffs; Product Liability Litigation–Defendants

- Thomas A. Merkle – Family Law

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ATTORNEY DIZARD QUOTED IN THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL'S JSONLINE

"Cook and Franke law firm dissolved"

Cook and Franke SC, one of Wisconsin's oldest and at one time one of the largest law firms, has been dissolved as a corporation.

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ATTORNEY KRAWCZYK QUOTED IN THE MILWAUKEE JOURNAL SENTINEL'S JSONLINE ON AUGUST 28TH

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O'NEIL, CANNON, HOLLMAN, DEJONG AND LAING WELCOMES ATTORNEY SARAH MATT TO THE FIRM

O'Neil Cannon recently hired Attorney Sarah C. Matt to expand its Litigation Group. She will assist clients with a variety of civil litigation matters, primarily in the areas of commercial and business litigation. Sarah graduated from Marquette Law School, cum laude, and received a Cali Excellence for the Future Awards for receiving the highest grade in Advanced Brief Writing and Criminal Law.

O'Neil Cannon, founded in Milwaukee in 1973, is a full-service legal practice that primarily focuses on providing business law and civil litigation services to businesses and their owners. The Firm represents corporations, institutions and partnerships at all stages of the business life cycle, helping them start, grow and transition from one generation to the next. We also assist business owners with their personal legal needs including tax and estate planning, family law and litigation—including personal injury litigation.

ATTORNEY GUMINA AUTHORS CHAPTER 19 OF THE IICLE "ILLINOIS CONTRACT LAW" HANDBOOK

Joseph E. Gumina will be a contributing author for the 2012 Edition of the Illinois Institute for Continuing Legal Education's treatise titled "Illinois Contract Law." Attorney Gumina has authored Chapter 19 entitled *Guidelines for Drafting Specific Contract Clauses in Employment Agreements*. This chapter provides practical advice and examples on how to properly draft an employment agreement and explores extensively the developing law with regard to the enforceability of arbitration provisions in employment contracts. In 2010, Attorney Gumina was the general editor and contributing author for the publication titled *Illinois Employers' Management Handbook—Leadership Training for Illinois Supervisors* providing front-line supervisors and managers practical advice on complex legal issues employers frequently encounter in the workplace.
Attorney Gumina leads O'Neil, Cannon, Hollman, DeJong and Laing S.C.'s labor and employment practice. Attorney Gumina has extensive experience representing management in a vast array of employment and labor matters and is a frequent speaker on the latest topics facing employers. Attorney Gumina is licensed to practice in the states of Illinois and Wisconsin and has represented clients in litigation matters in both state and federal courts in Illinois and Wisconsin.

SUCCESSION PLANNING SEMINAR

On April 26th, Joseph Maier was a featured speaker for a Wisconsin Underground Contractors Association member seminar focused on Succession Planning.

HELPING CLIENTS SELL A SMALL OR MEDIUM SIZED BUSINESS

On April 25th, Attorney Joe Maier was the featured speaker in a day long National Business Institute Seminar entitled “Helping Clients Sell a Small or Medium Sized Business.” Mr. Maier’s presentation focused on the tax aspects of selling a business and the valuation issues involved in the planning stages of a business sale.

O’NEIL, CANNON IS PLEASED TO ANNOUNCE THAT ATTORNEY DOUGLAS DEHLER HAS JOINED THE FIRM

O’Neil Cannon recently hired Attorney Douglas Dehler to expand it’s litigation group. Mr. Dehler’s legal practice involves business litigation, class action litigation, whistleblower (*qui tam*) lawsuits, ERISA fiduciary litigation, and the representation of clients in a wide range of insurance matters, including insurance bad faith litigation. He has practiced law in the Milwaukee community for more than 20 years, since graduating *cum laude* from the University of Wisconsin Law School in 1991. Mr. Dehler graduated *cum laude* from Washington University in St. Louis, Missouri, where he received his Bachelor of Science in Business Administration in 1987.

During his legal career, Mr. Dehler served as vice-president and senior litigation counsel for a national health insurance company, where he supervised a staff of in-house attorneys, paralegals and local attorneys and defended the company in litigation throughout the country, including class action litigation. He also regularly advised senior management on risk management and operational issues arising in the claims and underwriting units of the

company.

Mr. Dehler has been actively involved in various local bar and community organizations. He currently serves on the *pro bono* committee for the Eastern District of Wisconsin Bar Association, and has been commended by courts for his *pro bono* service. Mr. Dehler also has an interest in issues concerning children with autism spectrum disorders, and is a member of the national Autism Society, the Autism Society of Wisconsin, and the Autism Society of Southeastern Wisconsin.

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FIRMS ADVISE ZEON SOLUTIONS ON THE ACQUISITION OF THE GRAND RIVER

Pentvia Partners is pleased to announce Zeon Solutions has acquired The Grand River. Zeon Solutions (located in Milwaukee, Wisconsin) and The Grand River (located in Ann Arbor, Michigan) provide contract software and development services and specialize in e-commerce, search optimization, content management and mobile applications. Zeon in more focused on industrial customers such as Brady Corporation and Grand River is more focused on retailers such Gander Mountain and Eddie Bauer.

Pentvia Partners provided M&A advisory services to Zeon Solutions during this transaction and O'Neil Cannon provided legal assistance and deal advisory services.

Zeon Solutions and The Grand River brands will maintain their unique identities in the marketplace. Both are fast-growing companies: Zeon is an Inc. 500 firm with 250 employees and a compound annual growth rate of 30 percent during the past three years; The Grand River has 35 employees and a compounded annual growth rate of 125 percent during the past three years.

"Both organizations have complementary capabilities and deep eCommerce skill sets, so we see this as an outstanding opportunity to grow together," said Rupesh Agrawal, CEO of Zeon Solutions.

The combined firms have business-to-consumer and business-to-business experience in a wide range of vertical markets. Their greatest asset is a highly scalable strategic team with strong experience in eCommerce platforms, content management systems, software application development, creative and information design, user experience (UX) and usability, search engine marketing and optimization (SEM/SEO), analytics, social media solutions and more.

“As Zeon Solutions and The Grand River got to know one another, it became clear both companies provided services that were complementary,” said Scott Robertson, The Grand River CEO and co-founder.

Pentvia Partners, LLC is a Mergers and Acquisition advisory firm working with closely held businesses in the lower-middle market. Pentvia’s clients consist of growth-oriented companies considering a merger or acquisition strategy, divestiture of a product line, a need for equity capital, or desire to restructure debt.

O’Neil Cannon is a full-service legal practice that focuses on providing business law and civil litigation services to closely-held businesses and their owners. The Firm counsels clients in asset, stock or merger transactions, and the various tax, ERISA, labor and real estate issues that cut across virtually every deal.