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McAnany, Van Cleave and Phillips' rich tradition will remain in Wyandotte County

Kansas City, KS – McAnany, Van Cleave and Phillips (MVP), one of the oldest law firms in the Midwest, will continue its commitment to Wyandotte County. In early 2011, MVP will mark its 110th anniversary by relocating to the Cambridge Business Park in Kansas City, Kansas. MVP will initially lease 26,500 square feet in 10 Cambridge Place, allowing the firm to strengthen its identity as well as prepare for future growth.

MVP is a full-service practice, representing local, national and international companies including Fortune 500 corporations, small businesses and individuals, governmental entities, as well as not-for-profits. Established in Wyandotte County in 1901, the firm has never moved its principal office more than one block from its current location at 7th and Minnesota, which has been its home for 31 years.

"The foundation of our firm was laid in downtown Kansas City, Kansas more than one hundred years ago and we proudly recognize how our identity has been intertwined with Wyandotte County, both with strong histories and passions for rejuvenation," said Fred Greenbaum, MVP President. "Our values as a firm are embedded around the importance of building solid relationships with our clients. Our partners in this relocation effort, Dean Realty and CB Richard Ellis, have shown us the same superior level of respect and objective determination to ensure this project was a success."

Bob Fagan, CCIM, Senior Vice President with CB Richard Ellis, represented MVP throughout its carefully considered relocation initiative. "MVP was cautious and thorough in approaching this move because of their ties to downtown Kansas City, Kansas, but they were fairly adamant in their goal to stay in Wyandotte County. Retaining them in the county is a huge success for everyone involved." Robert Gude, Dean Realty Co.'s leasing manager, added, "It will be quite an orchestration of events that includes several tenant relocations, including relocation of our own headquarters."

With the move to Cambridge Business Park, MVP will have easy interstate access for its clients throughout the community. The location is minutes from the firm's current Johnson County office. The close proximity and easy access allows the firm to close its Johnson County location and consolidate its staff of 100 into Wyandotte County. The firm's growth in the last three years, despite the current economic conditions, has afforded MVP the opportunity to expand or relocate its two Missouri offices, Springfield and St. Louis, and add an Omaha, Nebraska office. MVP anticipates further growth within the next ten years.

"We are thrilled to have MVP join our other quality tenants in Cambridge Business Park," said Lester Dean, President & Chief Executive Officer of Dean Realty, Co. "I think the similarities between our two organizations brought elements of commitment and trust to the process. Family pride of ownership and dedication to clients and community are core values for both of us."

MVP's office in 10 Cambridge Place will rival that of the most modern office environments. The open floor plan with high-end finishes and generous glass elements will accommodate intimate meeting spaces and transition into multipurpose spaces for client seminars and after-hour functions.

"MVP has been searching for a new space for a very long time," said WYEDC President, Brent Miles. "The most important thing is that we were able to keep them in Wyandotte County, with a commitment from them to stay for at least another 10 years."

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