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Gregory J. Coughlin to Lead Corporate Practice Group at Harter Secret & Emery

Rochester, N.Y., October 12, 2016 –Harter Secret & Emery LLP announces that partner [Gregory J. Coughlin](#) has been named the practice group leader for the firm’s [Corporate and Transactional](#) practice group.

Coughlin represents companies in various merger, acquisition, joint venture, securities and private equity transactions, and in general corporate licensing and commercial contracting matters. He works with clients on, and takes a leadership role in, all aspects of transactions, including preparation of submissions to requests for proposals, preparation of letters of intent or term sheets, coordination of legal due diligence, and negotiation and preparation of definitive transactional agreements. Over the past few years, Coughlin has been involved in transactions with an aggregate value of nearly \$2 Billion

“Gregg is an exceptional transactional attorney, as evidenced by the high level of trust which he has earned from clients and colleagues,” said Craig S. Wittlin, managing partner of Harter Secret & Emery. “His leadership and collaborative approach will help our Corporate and Transactional practice continue to flourish among the strongest in New York State.”

“I am grateful to my partners for providing me the opportunity to lead the team of talented attorneys within our corporate practice in serving the needs of clients from a wide cross section of industries,” Coughlin said.

Coughlin has garnered several professional accolades in the past few years, including the “Up & Coming Attorneys” Award from *The Daily Record* (2012) and the “Forty Under 40” Award from the *Rochester Business Journal* (2013). He was also selected for inclusion in the Super Lawyers Rising Stars lists in 2013 and 2014. In addition to his legal practice, Coughlin is a member of the Society for the Protection and Care of Children board of directors, and a member of the Monroe County Bar Association.

Harter Secret & Emery corporate attorneys counsel public and private companies on a full spectrum of corporate legal needs including mergers and acquisitions, divestitures, strategic alliances, securities, entity formation, contract negotiations, corporate finance, and succession planning. Described by *Chambers and Partners* as “a leading name for major transactions, with a catalogue of high-value, impressive deals in its

portfolio,” the group represents entrepreneurs and start-up organizations, to large private and public Fortune 100 companies.

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