

McDowell Rice Smith & Buchanan, P.C. Elects Colby L. Rieke as President

Kansas City, MO – McDowell Rice Smith & Buchanan, P.C., a leading law firm in Kansas City, is pleased to announce the election of Colby L. Rieke as its new President, effective immediately.

Mr. Rieke has been a dedicated member of McDowell Rice since 2020, serving as a Shareholder and Executive Board Member. With over 19 years of legal experience in both Kansas and Missouri, he has focused his practice on family law and divorce, representing a diverse clientele including business owners, C-suite executives, medical professionals, and their spouses. His expertise extends to divorces involving complex business valuations, property divisions, and the preservation of marital and non-marital assets.

In addition to his legal practice, Mr. Rieke has been recognized for his professional excellence, being named to the Super Lawyers® list annually since 2019 and previously to the Rising Stars® list from 2014 through 2018. He was also honored by the *Kansas City Business Journal* as one of the Twenty to Know Legal in 2024.

Beyond his professional achievements, Mr. Rieke is actively involved in the community, serving on the Board of Trustees and Strategic Plan Committee for St. Thomas Aquinas, and participating in various charitable events and committees, including the Catholic Charities of Northeast Kansas Annual Golf Classic Committee.

“I am honored to lead McDowell Rice as we continue our commitment to providing exceptional legal services,” said Mr. Rieke. “I look forward to working with our talented team to uphold our tradition of excellence and to serve our clients and community with dedication.”

R. Pete Smith will continue to serve as Chairman of the Executive Board, and Thomas R. Buchanan will continue to serve as General Counsel.

McDowell Rice Smith & Buchanan, P.C. has been proudly serving the Kansas City area since 1947, offering a wide range of legal services across various practice areas. The firm is confident that under Mr. Rieke’s leadership, it will continue to thrive and uphold its mission of delivering practical solutions tailored to each client’s specific needs.