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David Drez Joins Wick Phillips

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Wick Phillips Gould & Martin LLP, a full-service business law firm, has announced that David J. Drez III has joined the firm as a partner. Drez will be based in the firm's Fort Worth, Texas, office.

A trial lawyer specializing in complex business disputes, Drez represents clients in a variety of industries, including oil and gas, electric utility, real estate, banking and finance and construction. Drez will continue to represent clients in federal and state courts throughout Texas, in addition to other jurisdictions. Before his move to Wick Phillips, Drez was a partner with Haynes and Boone LLP, based in that firm's Fort Worth office.

Drez has represented a number of high profile clients involving bankruptcy, contract disputes and damage claims, among other commercial litigation cases. Most recently, he was the lead trial counsel in a federal fraud trial concerning the sale of two lines of fiber optic products. Drez successfully tried the case, resulting in a \$12.5 million jury verdict on behalf of his client.

Licensed to practice in Texas, New York and Louisiana, Drez has more than 10 years of experience in all phases of litigation in the trial and appellate courts. He is admitted in the U.S. Supreme Court, Fifth Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals, all U.S. district courts in Texas and the Western District of Louisiana.

Drez graduated cum laude with a J.D. from Southern Methodist University, and received a B.A. from Tulane University. Before his affiliation with Haynes and Boone, Drez served as a law clerk for Judge James T. Trimble Jr. in the U.S. District Court for the Western District of Louisiana.

Serving the legal needs of businesses in a broad range of industries, Wick Phillips' specialty areas include commercial litigation, bankruptcy, creditor's rights, civil appeals,

corporate, corporate advisory, labor and employment and securities. For more information, visit www.wickphillips.com.