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Barnes & Thornburg Adds Veteran Labor And Employment Partner In Grand Rapids

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GRAND RAPIDS – Barnes & Thornburg has added veteran labor attorney Grant T. Pecor as a partner in its Labor and Employment practice. Pecor will work out of the firm's Grand Rapids and Chicago offices.

A nationally recognized attorney in his field, Pecor limits his practice to the representation of employers in both the public and private sectors. He has represented employers across industries while developing a sophisticated focus in the areas of health care and transit.

In doing so, he has not only represented clients at the bargaining table, but also in virtually all aspects of labor and employment law, including grievance arbitrations, representation proceedings, unfair labor practice proceedings and matters before other state and federal administrative agencies. He also provides general counsel on labor and employment-related matters.

"Grant's arrival comes amid a time of great disruption for our clients, who are looking to us to counsel them through provisions under the newly enacted federal legislation related to the COVID-19 pandemic," said Kenneth Yerkes, chair of Barnes & Thornburg's Labor and Employment Department. "We expect Grant's breadth of knowledge and experience in collective bargaining and client counseling to be a perfect fit for our Department.

"Businesses in Michigan and across the country are facing challenges and tough decisions related to COVID-19. Our team is working tirelessly to provide our clients with sound advice to ease concerns and mitigate financial and reputational risk," said Robert Stead, Grand Rapids office

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managing partner. "Grant will be a tremendous asset to our clients and we're thrilled to welcome him to the firm."

Pecor is a well-recognized thought leader and regularly serves as the keynote speaker for the Health Care Association of Michigan's annual conference and has presented to audiences like the Bernard Gottfried Memorial Labor Law Symposium and American Bar Association. He is a contributing editor of Bloomberg BNA's The Developing Labor Law and a long-time member of the American Bar Association's Committee on the Development of the Law Under the National Labor Relations Act.

Pecor earned his J.D., cum laude, from Michigan State University College of Law and his B.A. from James Madison College (Social Relations) at Michigan State University.

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