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Micah C. Zeno and Ryan McAlister Join Gordon Arata Montgomery Barnett

New Orleans, LA - Gordon Arata Montgomery Barnett is pleased to announce that Micah C. Zeno and Ryan McAlister have joined the firm.

Mr. Zeno is an associate in the firm's New Orleans office where he focuses his practice on commercial transactions and complex litigation. Before joining the firm, he clerked for The Honorable Judge June Berry Darensburg of the Twenty-Fourth Judicial District Court, State of Louisiana. He earned his J.D. and a certificate in Civil Law from Tulane University Law School in 2015, where he graduated Order of the Barristers and received the Tulane 34 Award and Tulane Student Crest Award. Mr. Zeno was also a recipient of the Dean's Honor Scholarship and the Louisiana Judicial Council/National Bar Association Scholarship. While at Tulane, he served as Chief Justice of the Honor Board, an associate in the Civil Litigation Clinic and Tulane University Legal Assistance Program, and a member of Moot Court. He is a former judicial intern for The Honorable Judge Fredericka Homberg Wicker, Louisiana Court of Appeal, Fifth Circuit. Mr. Zeno is licensed to practice in Louisiana, all Louisiana federal courts, and the United States Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Prior to attending law school, he earned his M.B.A. in Finance and B.A., *magna cum laude*, from Florida Agricultural and Mechanical University.

Mr. McAlister is an associate in the firm's Lafayette office where he focuses his practice on oil and gas matters and complex litigation. After graduating from Lafayette High School, he attended the United States Military Academy at West Point where he earned his Bachelor of Science. He then served as an Infantry Officer in the United States Army for over six years, including a year deployment to Iraq. During law school, Mr. McAlister interned with the Louisiana Department of Natural Resources. He graduated *cum laude* from the Paul M. Hebert Law Center at Louisiana State University in 2017, receiving his Juris Doctor, Graduate Diploma in Comparative Law, and the Energy Law and Policy Certificate. He received his B.S. from the United States Military Academy in 2008. He is admitted to practice law in Louisiana.

About Gordon Arata Montgomery Barnett

Gordon, Arata, Montgomery, Barnett, McCollam, Duplantis & Egan, LLC has attorneys in offices in New Orleans, Lafayette, and Baton Rouge, Louisiana and Houston, Texas. Whether in litigation or transactions or dealing with regulators, the Firm's lawyers serve clients locally, regionally, and nationally and provide services across a wide range of industries aligned with the Firm's offices along the Gulf

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