

LATHAN ARCHITECTS MAKES INVESTMENT IN MCKEE AND ASSOCIATES AND BDW ARCHITECTS, FORMS LATHAN MCKEE ARCHITECTS AND THE L&M GROUP OF COMPANIES

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Hidden Harbor Capital Partners ("Hidden Harbor"), an operationally focused private equity firm specializing in control investments in lower middle market companies, is pleased to announce investments by Lathan Associates Architects P.C. ("Lathan") in McKee & Associates Architects, LLC ("McKee") and Barganier Davis Williams Architects Associated, LLC ("BDW"). McKee and BDW, established in 1991 and 1974, respectively and headquartered in Montgomery, AL, specialize in providing architectural and design services to K-12 education, higher education, and municipal clients. Following the transaction, Lathan and McKee combined as Lathan McKee Architects, creating a market-leading K-12 education architecture and design services firm in the Southeastern United States. BDW joins Lathan McKee as a member of the L&M group of companies ("L&M Group"). The respective leadership teams of McKee and BDW, including Walter McKee, Seawell McKee, Johnny Raines, Ray Williams, and Dart Davis, remain invested and active in the group.

"For over thirty years, McKee and BDW have served the local community in Montgomery, AL as well as districts and institutions across Alabama and the broader Southeast. Both firms have developed a deep understanding of their clients' needs through intense focus and experience." said Lee Bryan, Partner at Hidden Harbor. "We look forward to supporting McKee and BDW in partnering with these clients for years to come."

Rick Lathan, Founder of Lathan Architects, said, "Our combination with McKee represents a significant milestone for both firms and for our clients. Our complementary strengths and relationships will further elevate the quality of our services and create exciting opportunities for innovation."

Johnny Raines, Partner at BDW Architects, said, "Joining the L&M Group is an exciting step for the entire team at BDW. The group's core values and commitment to excellence aligns with the foundation we built at BDW. We look forward to new opportunities for collaboration across our client base and across the member firms."

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