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Michael R. DeCotiis is a Managing Partner of the firm. In that role, Mr. DeCotiis develops and implements firm strategy, heads the Executive Committee and manages the day-to-day operations of the firm. He chairs the Corporate Law Practice Group and is a member of the Environmental Law, Government and Regulatory Affairs, and Public Procurement practice groups.

From March 2003 to September 2004, Mr. DeCotiis served as Chief Counsel to the Governor of New Jersey. From May 2002 to March 2003, Mr. DeCotiis served as Deputy Executive Director to the Port Authority of New York and New Jersey. He served as a member of the Casino Reinvestment Development Authority from November, 2004 through August, 2010.

Prior to May 2002, Mr. DeCotiis practiced law at the firm, focusing on Environmental Law, Government and Regulatory Affairs, Public Procurement and Contracting. He has participated in planning and obtaining various regulatory approvals, including environmental permits for manufacturing facilities, solid waste and recycling facilities and wastewater and sludge treatment facilities. He has also provided counsel and participated in negotiations on matters concerning wastewater discharge, water quality, sludge treatment handling, air emissions, underground storage tanks, and property transfer, development and remediation.

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Mr. DeCotiis also is a co-founder of the Dearheart Charitable Foundation, Inc. – a charitable organization that assists cancer patients as they undergo treatment and recovery. He is a Member of the Seton Hall University Law School Board of Visitors.

Mr. DeCotiis received his B.A. from Clarion University in 1988 and his J.D. from Seton Hall University Law School in 1991.

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Association of Environmental Authorities

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