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McCathern | Mooty, LLP adds Michael B. Johnson to head up new transaction section. Mr. Johnson's Bio:

As the newest partner at McCathern | Mooty, LLP, Mike Johnson brings almost twenty years of extensive real estate experience, having represented clients in all areas of real estate finance, development, acquisition, disposition, leasing, loan restructuring, workouts and foreclosures. Mike's practice consists of an active representation of lenders, banks and insurance companies in all aspects of financing, including loan purchase and sale agreements, interim financing transactions and cash management agreements, as well as varied representation of developers and property owners in workouts, foreclosures and deeds in lieu of foreclosure transactions. Mike recently represented a lender in structuring a \$360 million dollar loan for securitization that was secured by six retirement communities in Florida. He represented another lender in closing a complex financing transaction secured by hotels in Florida and Ohio, both owned by the George Steinbrenner family. In addition, Mike also represents numerous borrowers. He represented the borrower in structuring a \$140 million dollar Federal Land Bank loan (largest ever in the State of Texas), secured by the nearly 4000 acre Brinkmann Ranch in Frisco, Texas.

Born in Gage, Oklahoma in 1964, Mike obtained a B.B.A degree in finance, *magna cum laude*, from Oklahoma State University in 1986. A member of Phi Delta Phi, Mike was the recipient of the Outstanding Senior Award from the College of Business Administration. In 1989, Mike earned a Juris Doctorate from the University of Oklahoma College of Law. He was a member of Phi Alpha Delta and served on the Board of Advocates at OU.

In addition to real estate, Mike has considerable litigation experience and is licensed to practice law in the U.S. District Courts for the Northern and Eastern Districts of Texas and the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit. Mike began his legal career with Payne & Vendig, P.C. in Dallas, focusing on litigation (primarily involving oil and gas) and real estate transactions. Mike joined Winstead, Sechrest & Minick P.C. in 1997 and was elected partner in 1999. As a member of Winstead's Real Estate Development & Investments Finance Group, in 2007 Mike's clients accounted for the third highest total

of revenue generations in a firm of more than 300 attorneys. Mike is a member of the State Bar of Texas, the Dallas Bar Association, the Mortgage Bankers Association and the Commercial Mortgage Securities Association, as well as serving on the University Park Leadership Council and the 2009 University Park YMCA Partners Campaign.

Mike resides in University Park with his wife and three children. He is active in his children's school and athletic activities, coaching two baseball teams and a soccer team. He is a member of the Church of the Incarnation Episcopal Church and also enjoys spending time with his family at their ranch in Point, Texas.