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New Jersey Lawyer Deirdre Wheatley-Liss to Serve on Montclair State University Planned Giving Advisory Council

Parsippany, N.J. (June 2010) – Certified Elder Law Attorney and [Fein, Such, Kahn & Shepard, P.C.](#) Shareholder [Deirdre R. Wheatley-Liss, Esq.](#), has been appointed to Montclair State University's (MSU) Planned Giving Advisory Council. As a member of the Council, Wheatley-Liss will serve in an advisory capacity, recommending appropriate policies and guidelines as they relate to planned giving, providing oversight of giving vehicles and educating members of the community about financial and estate planning matters. Wheatley-Liss will also draw on her estate planning expertise to provide assistance regarding the technical and legal aspects of various gift planning vehicles. Composed of alumni and friends of the University, Montclair State's Planned Giving Advisory Council works closely with the institution's Planned Giving Officer in the management and marketing of gift planning programming.

"I believe it is incumbent upon all attorneys to give back to their communities," said Wheatley-Liss. "I am honored to have the opportunity to do so by assisting one of New Jersey's largest educational institutions in facilitating its tradition of academic excellence."

Wheatley-Liss is one of just 50 attorneys in New Jersey accredited as a Certified Elder Law Attorney by the National Elder Law Foundation (as approved by the American Bar Association). In addition to advising MSU's planned giving department, she is a Member of the Morris County Chamber of Commerce Board of Directors and has served on the Steering Committee of the Chamber's Women in Business (WIB) Committee. She also provides pro bono legal assistance to emerging and established 501(c)(3) tax-exempt public charities such as volunteer fire departments, rescue services and children's recreation programs. A frequent lecturer and author of legal and consumer-oriented articles, Wheatley-Liss has been featured in *Towne and Country Magazine*, *NJBiz Magazine*, *Consumer Digest Magazine* and *Money Magazine*, among other distinguished publications. Her [New Jersey Estate Planning & Elder Law Blog](#) addresses the complex and often difficult questions surrounding estate planning, elder law, estate and inheritance taxation, Medicaid, probate and estate administration, business and tax law, and financial planning.

Wheatley-Liss has been listed as a 2009 and 2010 New Jersey Super Lawyer® Rising Star, named as one of 2009's Top 50 Business Women in New Jersey and recognized as a "Top Forty under 40" business leader by *NJBiz*. Concentrating her practice in business planning, taxation, elder law and estate planning and administration, Wheatley-Liss counsels and represents individuals and businesses ranging from people in their 20s to 100-plus-year-old business ventures. A graduate of Johns Hopkins University, she earned her juris doctor from Boston College School of Law and holds an LL.M in Taxation from New York University. She is admitted to practice law in New Jersey and New York.

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