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**WILLKIE PARTNER ROBERT STEBBINS NAMED
GENERAL COUNSEL OF THE SECURITIES AND EXCHANGE COMMISSION**

New York, NY (May 16, 2017) --- Willkie Farr & Gallagher LLP today announced that Corporate partner Robert B. Stebbins has been named General Counsel of the Securities and Exchange Commission.

“We are extremely proud that Bob’s accomplishments as a corporate and securities lawyer and advisor have led to his selection for this important role, and that he will continue our tradition of government service,” said Steven Gartner, Willkie’s Chairman.

From Wendell Willkie, the 1940 Republican presidential nominee and author of *One World* – a book that helped lay the groundwork for the United Nations, to three-term New York Governor Mario M. Cuomo, through today, Willkie lawyers have served in various senior government positions, including numerous senior positions at the Securities and Exchange Commission.

Mr. Stebbins will leave the firm on Tuesday, May 16 to start his new position in Washington.

Mr. Stebbins earned a J.D. from the University of Pennsylvania and a B.S. from Central Michigan University, where he was an Academic All-American football player. He is a member of the American Bar Association and the New York City Bar Association and is a fellow of the American College of Investment Counsel.

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