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## PepsiCo Legal Executive Tom Tamoney Joins Day Pitney

Thomas H. Tamoney Jr., formerly Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel at PepsiCo, has joined Day Pitney LLP as of counsel in its Stamford, CT, office. While at PepsiCo, Tamoney was a leader of a legal team of 200 lawyers worldwide and was most recently responsible for corporate governance and securities law compliance. As a member of Day Pitney's Corporate and Business Law department, he will advise clients on matters including corporate and board governance issues and major transactions.

"Tom was intimately involved in corporate and board governance issues at PepsiCo and is recognized as a leader in these areas. He also worked on several significant, industry-shaping M&A transactions, showing just how skilled he is at completing big deals," said <u>David A. Swerdloff</u>, chair of Day Pitney's Corporate and Business Law department. "We are delighted he has decided to join us, bringing to the firm his unique perspective from many years of experience as an in-house lawyer."

Added <u>Dennis R. LaFiura</u>, chair of Day Pitney's Executive Committee, "With proven leadership experience in business and legal matters in both the United States and abroad, Tom will be a real asset to our clients."

Tamoney is a PepsiCo veteran of more than 30 years. As Senior Vice President and Deputy General Counsel of the company, he acted as a senior adviser to the CEO and worked with the board of directors on a wide range of corporate governance issues. Tamoney also was responsible for managing strategic projects, representing the company in a pair of multi-billion dollar acquisitions between 2009 and 2011, including one in Russia. In addition, he was a senior team member in PepsiCo's \$14.5 billion purchase of Quaker Oats in 2001.

Earlier at PepsiCo, Tamoney was division counsel for Pepsi-Cola North America, serving as lead lawyer for domestic beverage issues from 1989-1999. Prior to that, he spent six years as division counsel for Europe, the Middle East and Africa, overseeing international transactions and general corporate affairs across all PepsiCo food and beverage divisions in those parts of the world. Tamoney began working at PepsiCo in 1978, focusing on mergers and acquisitions, securities, taxation and finance matters.

"When I began contemplating a move to private practice, Day Pitney's corporate group stood out for the depth of its work," said Tamoney. "The firm has a platform that will enable me to focus on many sophisticated matters for our clients, and I am excited to be here."

Tamoney began his legal career in the Enforcement Division of the Securities & Exchange Commission and then moved to a private law firm where he worked on corporate, securities and taxation issues.

Tamoney is a board member and former Chairman of the Board of Keep America Beautiful, a national non-profit environmental and community improvement organization. He received a J.D. degree from Georgetown University Law Center and a B.A. degree from Trinity College.

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