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Scott S. Bethune to be KCMBA's 2015 President

In an inaugural ceremony proceeding the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association's 130th Annual Meeting on Friday (Dec. 12, 2014), KCMBA President Perry Brandt passed the gavel to the 2015 President, Scott S. Bethune.

Bethune, a founding member of Davis, Bethune and Jones LLC, has held a number of leadership positions within KCMBA (including serving on the executive committee since 2010, on the Board of Directors and on many of KCMBA's committees).

"The mission of KCMBA is to serve its members and community by promoting justice, professional excellence, and respect for the law" said Bethune. "The number one goal of our excellent professional staff is to focus on member needs and benefits for all lawyers in the metropolitan area. I look forward to a great year."

Mr. Bethune concentrates his trial practice in the areas of product liability, personal injury and wrongful death litigation, railroad crossing litigation, professional negligence, and mass tort litigation. Mr. Bethune received a Bachelor of Science from the University of Tennessee-Martin in 1985 and received a Juris Doctor from the University of Missouri-Kansas City in 1988. He is listed in *The Best Lawyers of America*® in the categories of Personal Injury Litigation, Product Liability Litigation, Mass Tort Litigation/Class Actions, and Medical Malpractice Law. He has also been recognized in the Kansas City Business Journal as "Best of the Bar" by his peers as well as "Super Lawyer" by the Missouri *Kansas Super Lawyer Magazine*. Mr. Bethune has been inducted as a member of The American Board of Trial Advocates, where he is a Past-President of the Western Missouri/Eastern Kansas Chapter. He currently serves as a Commissioner on the 16th Circuit Judicial Nominating Commission serving Jackson County, Missouri. He is on the Board of the Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Foundation. He also serves on the Executive Committee of the University of Missouri-Kansas City Law Foundation Board of Trustees serving as Vice-President of Development. He is also a member of the Missouri Association of Trial Attorneys (Member Board of Governors), the Kansas Association for Justice (Member Board of Governors), and the American Association for Justice. He is licensed to practice in the states of Missouri, Kansas and Tennessee.

The Kansas City Metropolitan Bar Association serves approximately 5,000 members in the nine-

county Kansas City metro area: Johnson and Wyandotte counties in Kansas and Cass, Clay, Jackson, Johnson, Lafayette, Platte and Ray counties in Missouri. The mission of this Association is to serve our members and our community by promoting justice, professional excellence and respect for the law.

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