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## Mark W. Mercante Named Chair of Baker Donelson's Construction Group

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(New Orleans, LA / April 23, 2015) The law firm of Baker Donelson has named Mark W. Mercante Chair of the Firm's Construction Group. Danny Shaw, who previously served as co-chair and chair of the group for ten years, will maintain his construction law practice with the Firm.

"The construction group has seen great success under Danny's leadership, and we look forward to continuing that success by providing the highest level of client service," says Mr. Mercante, a shareholder in Baker Donelson's Mandeville office.

Mr. Mercante concentrates his practice in construction law. He has experience representing owners, developers, contractors, subcontractors and design professionals in all aspects of construction. Mr. Mercante is also experienced in dispute resolution and handles matters involving state law lien claims and federal law Miller Act claims.

Since 2012, Mr. Mercante has been listed in *Chambers USA: America's Leading Business Lawyers* as a leading construction lawyer in Louisiana. He has also been listed in *The Best Lawyers in America* since 2007 in Construction Law and in *Louisiana Super Lawyers* since 2012 in Construction Litigation. Mr. Mercante is a graduate of the Loyola University School of Law and is a member of the Steering Committee of the American Bar Association (ABA) Forum on the Construction Industry, Division 3/Design, and of the ABA's Litigation Section and Forum on the Construction Industry. He is also a member of the Covington, Federal, New Orleans and Louisiana State Bar Associations.

Baker Donelson's Construction Group works with every type of owner and decision-maker involved in the construction business and assists with public and private construction projects. The Group advises clients regarding numerous aspects of project completion and general business issues and understands the intricacies of the construction industry. Comprised of more than 60 attorneys, the Baker Donelson Construction Group has earned a national reputation for excellence. Members of the Group are Fellows in the American College of Construction Lawyers, have been listed in *Best Lawyers in America*, have been selected for and serve on the American Arbitration Association's National Panel of Construction Arbitrators for Large and Complex Cases, and are registered design professionals.