

## Barley Snyder Opens Harrisburg Office

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**Lancaster and Harrisburg, Pa.** - Pennsylvania's capital city is now the newest home of Barley Snyder, as the central Pennsylvania law firm has opened an office in Harrisburg as of Jan. 2, 2018.

The move comes as the firm adds 10 attorneys from former Harrisburg law firm Rhoads & Sinon, which has been a household legal name in Pennsylvania's capital city since the firm opened in 1935.

Barley Snyder will welcome to its firm a total of 19 professionals from Rhoads & Sinon. Those professionals will stay based in Harrisburg at Rhoads & Sinon's former location, the 12th floor of the M&T Bank Building at the southeast corner of Second and Market streets in downtown Harrisburg. The building's address is 213 Market St.

"We have the greatest respect for Rhoads & Sinon as an institution and as a venerable legal name in Harrisburg," Barley Snyder managing partner Jeff Lobach said. "The 10 attorneys we are welcoming into our firm are highly skilled and know the local market as well as any attorney in the Capital Region. The exemplary reputation they've earned is well-deserved. Each one will be an asset to our firm going forward and we are honored to have them join us, each one individually and in the overall formation of a Barley Snyder Harrisburg team."

Lobach said Barley Snyder had been seeking a physical presence in the Harrisburg market, and bringing in these professionals from Rhoads & Sinon is an extraordinary solution.

"We've had clients in the Harrisburg, West Shore and Hershey areas for many years, and establishing a home base closer to them within steps of the Pennsylvania State Capitol in Harrisburg's bustling downtown can only help us be more efficient in serving these clients," Lobach said.

Drake D. Nicholas, one of the 10 attorneys joining Barley Snyder from Rhoads & Sinon, said after careful consideration, Barley Snyder provided the best fit in matching culture, philosophies and future potential for the group. He also said his clients and the clients of all of the attorneys moving to Barley Snyder will see no disruption in service during the brief transition period.

"Barley Snyder has been a pillar of the central Pennsylvania legal landscape for decades," Nicholas said. "They are an outstanding, well-rounded, full-service law firm, and we know that first-hand from working with them and alongside

them for years. We expect to make the assimilation seamless for our clients, and each of us are very excited to join up with Barley Snyder as part of its Harrisburg hub."

Stanley A. Smith, another of the Rhoads & Sinon partners coming to Barley Snyder, said Harrisburg's thriving business landscape will be well-served by the addition of Barley Snyder to its legal community.

"This is an opportunity for us to join an established central Pennsylvania law firm with the same DNA as ours, and the same values and approach to the law that we have and our clients appreciate," said Stanley Smith. "Adding Barley Snyder's depth of knowledge and ability to our team will allow the firm to deliver outstanding legal service to the Capital Region."

In addition to Nicholas, who is joining Barley Snyder's business and employee benefits groups, and Smith, who will be a member of the firm's personal planning and business groups, the eight other Rhoads & Sinon attorneys joining Barley Snyder are:

- **Thomas J. Nehilla**, joining Barley Snyder's real estate and business groups
- **John M. Coles**, joining Barley Snyder's real estate and business groups
- **Thomas Anthony French**, joining Barley Snyder's litigation group
- **Robert J. Tribeck**, joining Barley Snyder's litigation and employment groups
- **Kevin M. Scott**, joining Barley Snyder's business and tax groups
- **Stephanie E. DiVittore**, joining Barley Snyder's litigation and finance & creditors' rights groups
- **William C. Boak**, joining Barley Snyder's litigation group
- **Sara E. Myirski**, joining Barley Snyder's litigation and employment groups

With the additions, Barley Snyder now has 92 attorneys, an all-time high for the firm. It's the second major addition to the firm in the last nine months, as it [added the three attorneys from the former Hanover-based firm Stonesifer & Kelley](#) in April 2017. The firm also [added a Gettysburg office in 2017](#).

"It is not just about the present, but is more about our firm's future," Lobach said. "We have expanded our practice in recent years throughout Pennsylvania and Maryland. An essential element of our model is engaging lawyers who live in and are actively committed to the communities in which they practice. Adding a physical presence in our capital city with these well-known and highly respected lawyers positions our firm for unprecedented growth not only in 2018, but for future years."

## About Barley Snyder

Barley Snyder is a law firm based in central Pennsylvania with 92 attorneys practicing from offices located in Lancaster, York, Reading, Harrisburg, Malvern, Hanover and Gettysburg, Pa., and Hunt Valley, Md. The firm serves businesses, individuals and organizations in all major areas of civil law including: business, employment, immigration, employee benefits, finance & creditors' rights, intellectual property, litigation, estate planning and administration, real estate, tax, construction, environment and energy, health care, education, municipal authority, and food and agribusiness. [www.barley.com](http://www.barley.com) | [@BarleySnyder](#)

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