

People

Beard Miller Company LLP (bmc) announced the following promotions: **Jessica L. Whitmyer**, manager in the Audit and Accounting department; **Barbara Simkins**, senior accountant in the Tax department; **Jeremy Peachey**, manager in the Tax department; **Sean Galloway**, manager in the Audit and Accounting department; **Christopher Cassel**, manager in the Audit and Accounting department; and **Nikki Bardin**, senior manager in the Tax department.



RETTEW announced that **Jack Turpin** earned his licensure as a professional land surveyor (PLS) from the Commonwealth. As senior party chief, Turpin mentors and trains other members of RETTEW's survey staff, as well as assigns, supervises and reviews their work.

The company also welcomed **Craig W. Underwood** as the firm's first code enforcement officer. He will assist RETTEW's municipal clients in complying with Pennsylvania's Uniform Construction Code.

KU Resources, Inc. announced the hiring of **James Smith**. He will assist the Duquesne office with soil and groundwater sampling, environmental site assessments, and generating reports and figures.

The company also announced the hiring of **Donald Blackert** as a senior consultant.



Pepper Hamilton LLP announced that **Karen S. Ali** has joined the firm as director of diversity. Ali will help lead Pepper Hamilton's firm-wide diversity initiatives. The company also announced that former U.S. District Judge **James T. Giles** has joined the firm as "Of Counsel." He will focus chiefly on referred mediation and arbitration matters, local, national and international in scope.

Wohlsen Construction Company craftsman **Wes Kipp** received a Craftsmanship Award for his work on the North Office Building Senate Hearing Room project. The award recognizes exceptional craftsmanship and the display of interest and ingenuity in order to encourage the highest grade of workmanship.



Saul Ewing LLP announced that **Neal S. Grabell** has joined the firm as "Of Counsel" in the Business department. Grabell will concentrate his practice on general corporate, commercial finance and international business matters.

Stevens & Lee announced the expansion of its real estate practice with the addition of **David J. Tshudy**, a lawyer and licensed title agent. He focuses his practice on real estate matters and land use law.

Reclamere announced that **Christy Curtorillo** joined the company as administrative office manager and **Kevin Doyle**, CISSP, ISSMP, CISM, joined as security audit and assessment manager.

The Professional Association of David Bronstein, D.O. and Richard H. Jeffries, D.O. announced that **Jessica A. Ward, D.O.** joined their Harrisburg staff in the practice of internal medicine. Dr. Ward is a Harrisburg native and a graduate of Bishop McDevitt High School.

She completed her residency at Pinnacle Health Hospitals at Community General Osteopathic.

Noteworthy



Philadelphia Mayor **Michael A. Nutter** appointed **Michael A. Schwartz**, a partner with **Pepper Hamilton LLP** and a former federal prosecutor, as

chairman of a newly formed Task Force on Ethics and Campaign Finance Reform. Schwartz will lead the nine-member Task Force as it performs a comprehensive review of the City of Philadelphia's campaign finance ordinance.

KU Resources, Inc. announced the opening of its new office in Washington, Pennsylvania.



Saul Ewing LLP announced that its partner **William W. Warren, Jr.** provided an overview of reverse online auctions and how they work in a webcast for the Pennsylvania Association of School Business Officials.



Hannah Dowd McPhelin, an attorney in **Pepper Hamilton LLP's** Philadelphia office, has been qualified as a LEED Accredited Professional (LEED AP) by the Green Building Certification

Institute. McPhelin joins a small group of attorneys—estimated to be fewer than 65 nationwide—who understand the significance of "green" building trends to the future of the building industry and have successfully sought accreditation in green building standards.

The High Foundation awarded \$5,000 to the Lancaster County Career and Technology Foundation to equip a new Welding Simulation Training Center that will help students and current workers to improve in several areas including productivity, workmanship, safety, and specific skills. The project will increase the availability of training at various locations throughout Lancaster County.

High Safety Consulting Services Ltd.

announced that it has joined forces with Hofman Safety and Industrial Hygiene Consulting, Inc. of Lebanon to provide expanded services, faster response and a greater geographical reach.



The company also announced that **Bridget Hofman** will take the position of regional manager of safety and health services for High Safety in Lebanon, while retaining the role of

president of Hofman Safety and Industrial Hygiene Consulting, Inc.

In addition, **Christopher Miller** joined the Lebanon office as safety and health consultant, focusing on emergency response training and consulting.

JPL Productions, Inc. formally unveiled a new brand identity that signifies the organization's evolution into a strategic, integrated communications company. The organization's new streamlined name, **JPL**, reflects its expanded range of communications services which include research, brand and marketing strategy, in addition to web, video, e-learning, and meetings and events services.

Recognition

High Concrete Group was ranked No. 72 on *Engineering News Record's* list of Top 600 Specialty Contractors. Companies in various specialties, including concrete, are ranked according to construction revenue in 2007 in \$ millions from specialty contracting in a prime or subcontracting capacity.

High Transit LLC received two transportation safety awards for outstanding achievement in highway safety, presented by the Pennsylvania Motor Truck Association. High Transit received second place in the overall category and first place in the heavy hauler category.



RETTEW and **Kinsley Construction** erected the precast concrete through-arches on the Big Chiques No. 2 Bridge in Lancaster County in October. Eligible for listing on the National Register of Historic Places, the prior bridge (top photo), which carries Auction Road over Big Chiques Creek, was one of only four reinforced concrete through-arch-style bridges remaining in the Commonwealth. Lancaster County hired RETTEW to provide bridge replacement services after the bridge deteriorated to the point that it could not reliably meet modern day traffic and truck weights.

KU Resources, Inc. was named one of the Best Places to Work in PA for 2008. The company was at the Best Places to Work in PA evening awards ceremony on Tuesday, Dec. 2 at Hershey Lodge.

Langan Engineering and Environmental Services secured the top spot for retail in the annual rankings of metropolitan area design firms by *New York Construction* magazine.

RETTEW was awarded a contract by the Pennsylvania Environmental Council to prepare a trail/greenway master plan for the City of Wilkes-Barre, Luzerne County, and the Anthracite Scenic Trails Association. PEC also awarded RETTEW with a contract to provide a master plan and feasibility study for

the proposed Greater Kingston Area Trail/Greenway.

High Concrete Group LLC was named by the Concrete Industry Board as the winner of the 2008 Roger H. Corbetta Award of Merit for its work on Citi Field, the new home of the New York Mets professional baseball team in Flushing, NY. The Denver, PA-based precast fabricator was recognized at CIB's annual awards dinner at Marina Del Ray in the Bronx in November. ♦

Does your business have news you'd like to share with other PA Chamber members? Email ismith@pachamber.org for consideration.



C.S. Davidson, Inc. announced that **Joshua Carney, P.E.** was honored by the *Central Pennsylvania Business Journal* as an award recipient for its 2008 "Forty Under 40" program. The award recognizes an individual under 40 who is committed to professional excellence and community involvement. Carney is the buildings department manager at C.S. Davidson, Inc., an employee-owned consulting engineering firm with offices in York, Lancaster and Gettysburg. Carney's community involvement includes serving as a board member of the United Way of York County; and serving as chairman of the board of directors and team leader of the ACE Mentor Program of Central Pennsylvania, an affiliate of the ACE Mentor Program of America. He helped found the affiliate in 2004.