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In Memorium: Marc Dembling, 1944-2022

Marc joined M&W in April of 2004. Prior to that time, he was working with his close friend and our colleague Gerry Kaplan at a firm in Morristown. I had heard that the firm might be dissolving, so I called Gerry and invited him to breakfast. I was hoping this could be a package deal with Marc, so after Gerry committed to joining us I asked him about Marc's plans. Gerry suggested I call Marc, which I did, and we met for breakfast the next day at the same diner where I'd broken bread with Gerry. To our great benefit, Marc agreed to join M&W.

I was thrilled. Both Gerry and Marc were revered throughout the bar in New Jersey. Marc was not only an incredible attorney; brilliant, polished, well prepared, a great orator. He was the greatest example of professionalism and integrity that you could find anywhere. He was so good that he spent a great deal of time helping the Bar Association teach other attorneys. At M&W we were lucky to have him

mentoring all of us, every single day - not just at occasional seminars.

Marc loved the fact that he was able to practice at M&W with his son Ed, who joined our firm after law school and has become an excellent attorney in his own right. He was careful to allow Ed to grow and develop without parental interference, and to develop into his own man. Marc was justifiably proud of the young man and fine attorney that Ed has become.

As I told his wife Rebecca after learning of our loss of Marc, M&W is a family, and Marc was our colleague, mentor, leader, and friend. He was loved by everyone here. His loss remains as surreal now as it did when we first heard the news. His impact on every one of us was profound, and we will carry the gift of our time with him forever.

- John Methfessel, Jr.

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