

## John Q. Hammons Hotels & Resorts Appoints Justin Harris as Senior Vice President/General Counsel

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John Q. Hammons Hotels & Resorts has appointed real estate development attorney Justin Harris as senior vice president and general counsel.

Harris' responsibilities span overseeing real estate development, managing financing, litigation and franchising, arranging partnerships between public and private entities, handling legal issues, and directing the legal department for the growing company.

'I feel my past experiences have been a natural progression for this opportunity to work with one of the visionaries in real estate development,' Justin Harris said. 'For years I've admired the positive impact John Q. Hammons has made on Springfield and numerous communities nationwide. I feel fortunate to be a part of the team that continues the momentum.'

Most recently Harris served as a partner and managing partner at Lowther Johnson Attorneys at Law, LLC in Springfield. Harris is seasoned in real estate development, the formation and operational needs of business organizations, and litigation in federal and state courts.

'I appreciate Justin's in-depth knowledge of real estate development. Justin will add great value to the executive team as we move forward with \$500 million of new construction in the ground and more than \$1.5 billion in the hotel and meetings space development pipeline,' said Mr. John Q. Hammons, founder, chairman and chief executive officer of John Q. Hammons Hotels & Resorts.

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