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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**THE WAGNER COMPANIES HIRES NEW PRESIDENT***ESTABLISHES NEXT-GENERATION LEADERSHIP TO DRIVE MARKET SHARE IN ARCHITECTURE AND CONTRACT METAL CATEGORIES*

MILWAUKEE, December 12, 2017 -- The Wagner Companies, a manufacturer and global supplier of architectural railing systems and custom metal products for industrial applications, announced today the hiring of Michael Dover as the company's new president. Dover, who joins the executive team effective today, assumes the position previously held by Rick Kettler who retired after an 18-year career with the company and a nine-year tenure as president. Bob Wagner remains in the role of chief executive officer (CEO).

Dover brings 26 years of extensive manufacturing, sales and marketing experience to the company. For the last ten years, he served as president of Scan-Pac Manufacturing, a producer of industrial friction products targeting the drilling, mining, agricultural and transportation industries. Previously he worked at Precision Industries Corporation, where he served in various leadership and management positions for over a decade. He has developed, implemented and maintained innovative procedures to drive company growth, aid the supply-chain, and identify strategies for sustained improvement.

"Mike has the experience and skillset to effectively lead our company into the next era," said Bob Wagner, CEO. "He has a proven track record in manufacturing and understands the critical importance of building upon our established reputation of delivering the highest levels of product quality, innovation and service."

For 60 years, The Wagner Companies has provided railing products and components to the architectural and industrial markets, establishing itself as a trusted resource for high-quality products and industry expertise. The company continues to innovate with new products designed to meet a market need, such as point source lighting solutions for improved life safety railings and an expanded glass railing offering, among others. Additionally, it provides broad technical resources, manufacturing capabilities, rapid response to quotations, and a differentiating focus on exceeding customer expectations.

"It is with great enthusiasm that I accept this opportunity," said Dover. "We are solidly positioned for ongoing growth both in the architectural and industrial markets, and I look forward to building upon the company's established success."

Dover attended Florida State University where he majored in biology with an interdisciplinary minor in chemistry, physics and mathematics. He also received a bachelor degree in business administration and a minor in marketing from Marian College, in addition to an MBA from Marquette University with a focus on finance, accounting and international business.

About The Wagner Companies

A proven leader in the metal industry since 1850, The Wagner Companies has evolved to become the go-to-resource for architectural railing systems and expertise. A manufacturer and worldwide supplier of handrail fittings and metal products for custom and industrial applications, the company thrives on innovative collaboration with its customers. Specializing in architectural components, architectural railings and systems, and Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) products, Wagner offers laser, bending, stamping and finishing capabilities as well as engineering assistance. The company's large inventory of raw materials and over 3,700 stock items in steel, brass, bronze, aluminum, and stainless steel accommodates numerous applications around the globe. For more information, visit www.wagnercompanies.com or call 888-243-6914.

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