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Hartford, CT — McEIVR, Inc./MakerspaceCT is proud to announce the appointment of Dave S. Christensen, Partner and Additive Manufacturing Practice Group Chair at Cantor Colburn LLP, the fourth largest patent law firm in the country, to its Board of Directors and Legacy.

"We are honored to have Dave join our board and Legacy Council," said Devra Sisitsky, founder and executive director of McEIVR, Inc., a 501(c)3 non-profit that is launching MakerspaceCT in 2019. The 20,000+ sf facility, located in the historic G. Fox Building at 960 Main Street in Hartford, will be Connecticut's largest makerspace open to the public as a community resource. MakerspaceCT will offer education, tools, workspace and mentorship for manufacturing, technological innovation, DIY activities and artistic projects.

"Dave brings value to our organization with his perspective as a mechanical engineer and intellectual property attorney," said Sisitsky. "The inventors and entrepreneurs we will be serving at MakerspaceCT will benefit from his experience as a patent holder. Protecting intellectual property is an important consideration in these activities, and Dave's legal experience will be of great value to our members." Additionally, Mr. Christensen's presence on the Board and Legacy Council is part of the progressive collaboration between McEIVR, Inc. and Cantor Colburn LLP.

At Cantor Colburn, Mr. Christensen focuses his practice on assisting clients in protecting their inventions in both U.S. and foreign patent offices in a variety of technical fields, including automotive, electrical power distribution and transmission, renewable energy, and optical measurement systems. He counsels startup to medium sized clients

in preparing their portfolios for investment financing and associated due diligence activities and he assists all clients in developing cost effective strategies for building and managing their IP portfolios. Cantor Colburn's Additive Manufacturing Practice was one of the first in the country, and as its chair, Mr. Christensen leads a team of attorneys experienced in protecting IP rights in innovative additive manufacturing technologies, like 3D printing. This is important because the relative ease of 3D printing makes client innovations especially vulnerable to counterfeiting. The team has assisted companies of all sizes, as well as university technology transfer offices and government research institutions the strategic guidance they need to compete successfully in an evolving market and realize all the opportunities afforded by their IP properties. Before beginning his career as an IP attorney, Mr. Christensen was as an engineer and gained hands-on experience in additive technologies such as 3D printing, manufacturing and product design. He holds a B.S. in mechanical engineering from the University of Hartford and an M.S. in mechanical engineering from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, and a J.D. from Concord Law School. He is a guest lecturer at the Western New England University and the University of Connecticut School of Law.

### About Cantor Colburn:

Cantor Colburn LLP is one of the largest full-service IP law firms in the country, with more than 100 attorneys and agents providing counsel to clients around the globe from offices in Hartford, Washington, D.C., Atlanta, Houston and Detroit. Exceptionally well-versed in a wide range of cutting-edge technologies, the firm's clients work in a broad spectrum of industries, including chemical, life sciences, pharmaceutical, medical devices, manufacturing, consumer products, energy, software, telecommunications, entertainment, and more. Recent rankings include #4 for U.S. Utility Patents (IP Watchdog), #3 for U.S. Design Patent (Ant-like Persistence), #8 for U.S. Trademark Registrations (Ant-like Persistence), Fastest Growing U.S. Patent Law Firm (Juristat) and Top 100 Law Firms for Minority Attorneys (Law360).

### About McEIVR, Inc.

McEIVR, Inc. is the 501(c)3 non-profit launching MakerspaceCT, a community resource, open to the public, offering classes for all types of equipment and tools needed to make or manufacture prototypes, cosplay, hobbyist or artistic projects. The 20,000+ sf facility will be a springboard for innovation and a new way to boost career interest in manufacturing, technology, and hardware development. In addition, the movement is sparking renewed interest for both students and adults in critical STEAM learning (science, technology, engineering, arts, math). The demand for our diverse program has been spurred by strong, recent growth in small business manufacturing, technological innovation, and DIY activities in communities across the United States.

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