



## **Middlesex Water General Counsel Jay L. Kooper Elected Chair of the New Jersey State Bar Association Public Utility Law Section for 2017-2018**

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ISELIN, N.J., May 25, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- Middlesex Water Company (NASDAQ:MSEX), a provider of water, wastewater and related utility services, is pleased to announce that its Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary, Jay L. Kooper, has been elected as Chair of the New Jersey State Bar Association's Public Utility Law Section for the section's 2017-2018 programming year. The Public Utility Law Section, New Jersey's premier legal organization for New Jersey's public utilities attorney community, hosts monthly meetings and special programming throughout the year bringing together practitioners from both the private sector and state agencies including the New Jersey Board of Public Utilities and the New Jersey Division of Rate Counsel.

A photo accompanying this announcement is available at <http://www.globenewswire.com/NewsRoom/AttachmentNg/a58dd465-9135-4a72-8b51-dca88499c1b4>

With his election, Mr. Kooper joins a long list of New Jersey's outstanding public utility law practitioners past and present who have previously served as the Public Utility Law Section Chair, including two with ties to Middlesex Water Company – current Director Walter G. Reinhard and past General Counsel Kenneth J. Quinn. "I am deeply honored and humbled that the membership of the Public Utility Law Section has entrusted me with this great responsibility and I look forward to working with the membership to develop programming for the 2017-2018 year that will be useful and appealing to both the Public Utility Law Section membership and the larger legal community of New Jersey," said Kooper.

Jay L. Kooper was appointed Vice President, General Counsel & Secretary of Middlesex Water Company in March 2014, and currently serves as the Secretary of the National Association of Water Companies' New Jersey Chapter and on multiple committees for the National Association of Water Companies and the New Jersey Utilities Association. Mr. Kooper also serves on the Board of Trustees of Temple B'Nai Abraham in Livingston, New Jersey, where he resides with his wife Jessica and sons Jordan and Ethan. In 2016, Mr. Kooper was honored as a finalist for the New York Stock Exchange Corporate Governance and Leadership Awards' Distinguished General Counsel of the Year and the NJBIZ General Counsel of the Year in the Public Company Category.

### **About Middlesex Water Company**

Middlesex Water Company, organized in 1897, provides regulated and unregulated water and wastewater utility services through various subsidiary companies. For additional information about Middlesex Water Company visit [www.middlesexwater.com](http://www.middlesexwater.com) or call (732) 634-1500.

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