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M&A lawyer joins Porter Wright after 28 years at prior firm

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A Columbus, Ohio-based law firm that entered Pittsburgh last summer has hired a long-time name partner from a local firm.

David Hirsch, 64, joined Porter Wright Morris & Arthur LLP on Monday as a partner in its mergers and acquisitions practice and will be based at its downtown office.

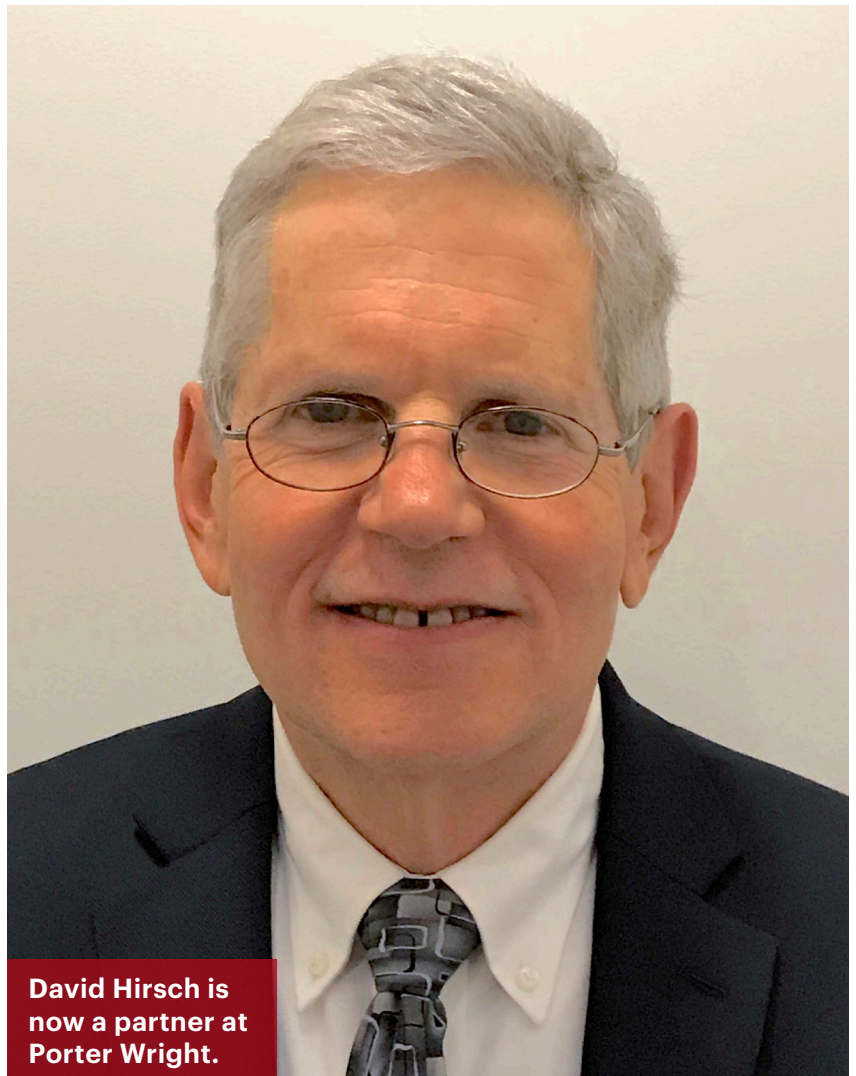
He had worked at Keevican Weiss Bauerle & Hirsch LLC for about 28 years and had been part of its name for a decade. Following Hirsch's departure, it now employs 12 lawyers and has tweaked its name to Keevican Weiss & Bauerle LLC, Leo Keevican said.

Hirsch previously had been an attorney based in Columbus for what is now Squire Patton Boggs from 1981-1990.

"I already knew [Porter Wright] – it's a great platform, wonderful service and client-oriented," Hirsch said. "When I heard they wanted to grow an office here of significant size, it made all the sense in the world" to come aboard.

Last August, Porter Wright announced its Pittsburgh office, led by Ellen Freeman, who had been a partner at K&L Gates LLP. It now has four lawyers based full-time downtown, three of whom are partners.

Hirsch has led hundreds of mergers and acquisitions, acting as outside general counsel to several mid-size businesses. He has assisted public companies with securities law compliance and public offerings; represents clients regarding investments in private equity, hedge and venture capital funds; and works with emerging businesses. He's also known for riding his bike to work "as often as I can."



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