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Missouri Catholic Conference Welcomes New Executive Director

JEFFERSON CITY — The Missouri Catholic Conference (MCC) welcomes Deacon Tyler McClay as its new Executive Director. Deacon Tyler joined the MCC in January 2010 as General Counsel; he is an attorney and a registered lobbyist. Before joining the MCC he practiced law, representing physicians and hospitals in medical malpractice cases and health care litigation. Tyler will continue to serve as the MCC's General Counsel, advising Missouri's bishops on legal matters pertaining to public policy and representing the MCC before government agencies. Congratulations, Deacon Tyler, and welcome to your new role within the MCC!

Deacon Tyler's appointment to executive director comes after the retirement of Mike Hoey, who served the Missouri Catholic Conference for nearly 40 years.

Throughout his long career with the MCC, Mike Hoey stood up for the most vulnerable among us: the poor, the sick, the unborn, immigrants, and refugees, and embraced Catholic teaching to advocate for the common good. His work alongside legislators and others has garnered many victories for the people, and has protected Catholic values and ideals.

He worked tirelessly, but never forgot to have fun along the way. His boisterous laugh and sense of humor will be missed within the office and around the Capitol. Mike plans to enjoy spending time with family, landscaping his backyard (aptly named "Hoey Henge") and traveling. We wish you the best, Mike, as you embark on your journey into retirement!