

PRESS RELEASE

AEROSPACE & DEFENSE INVESTMENT BANKERS BRIAN M. KARPIEL AND KATHERINE E. MCDOWELL JOIN JANES CAPITAL PARTNERS

Irvine, CA – March 1, 2010. Janes Capital Partners, Inc., a leading Aerospace & Defense investment banking boutique providing merger, acquisition, divestiture and corporate finance services to the middle market, is pleased to announce that Brian M. Karpriel has joined as a Senior Vice President and Katherine E. McDowell has joined as an Associate.

“Brian has more than 10 years of experience in the aerospace & defense industry, and his accomplishments as an investment banker – in particular within aviation – are highly regarded within the sector. Katie brings excellent deal execution and industry experience that positions the firm for growth. The addition of Brian and Katie’s knowledge and execution experience represents a meaningful complement to our firm’s industry focus and execution capabilities,” said David A. Janes, CEO of Janes Capital Partners.

Mr. Karpriel specializes in mergers & acquisitions, divestitures and restructurings, with a deal track record that includes in- and out-of court restructurings, turnaround advisory and valuation advisory, spanning 15 years in operations and investment banking and transactions valued at over \$4 billion. Mr. Karpriel has deep transaction experience in Aerospace & Defense M&A, and has delivered public speaking engagements addressing the topics of labor productivity and maintenance planning.

Prior to joining Janes Capital Partners, Mr. Karpriel was a Vice President with Edgeview Partners, a division of CIT Group, where he executed middle-market M&A transactions. Prior to that, Mr. Karpriel was a Vice President at Seabury Group, and an Associate at Lehman Brothers, where he executed numerous restructuring, turnaround and public M&A assignments. In addition, Mr. Karpriel began his career in operations with General Electric, and is a graduate of the MMP program.

Mr. Karpriel holds an MBA from the Harvard Graduate School of Business Administration and a BS Degree in Mechanical Engineering from Stanford University.

Ms. McDowell is an Associate of Janes Capital Partners, specializing in mergers, acquisitions, divestitures and leveraged recapitalizations. She joined Janes Capital after previous experience as an Associate with CIT / Edgeview Partners, where she participated in numerous strategic investment banking transactions.

Prior to investment banking, Ms. McDowell worked as an analyst at Healthcor Management, a health care-focused hedge fund in New York, and as a researcher for National Geographic Adventure magazine. In addition, she was an Olympic sailor, placing fifth in the 470 class at the 2004 Summer Games in Athens.

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Ms. McDowell received a bachelor of arts in American Civilization from Brown University, where she was a member of the varsity sailing team and a four-time All-American. Ms. McDowell also holds an MBA, with a concentration in finance and investment management, from Yale University's School of Management.

Both Mr. Karpiel and Ms. McDowell hold General Securities Representative (Series 7/79) and Uniform Securities Agent (Series 63) FINRA licences.

About Janes Capital Partners

Janes Capital Partners is an investment banking mergers & acquisitions advisory firm focused on Aerospace & Defense companies with enterprise values ranging from \$25 million to \$500 million. The firm is headquartered in Irvine, CA and provides services to private business owners, large corporations and private equity groups seeking to acquire, divest or recapitalize companies or business units serving the aerospace, defense and government services markets. Janes Capital Partners' senior bankers are experienced operating and financial executives with a combined track record of more than \$7 Billion in closed transaction value. Securities transactions are conducted through JCP Securities, Inc.; a registered Broker/Dealer, a registered Investment Advisor and member FINRA/SIPC.