Gardere Appoints Michael Drankoski as New Executive Director

Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP announced that Michael Drankoski has been named the firm's new executive director, effective immediately. He will replace Judy Vetkoetter upon her retirement from Gardere later this year.

Drankoski has more than 20 years of experience working with AmLaw 100 firms, with a primary focus on information technology. He joins Gardere from Norton Rose Fulbright's Dallas office, where he held the position of director of administration, overseeing all non-attorney functions in that office.

"Michael's extensive background in legal management makes him the ideal fit to assume the executive director position," says Gardere Chair Holland N. O'Neil. "He is a results-oriented leader, who I am confident will provide the best support for our attorneys, staff and clients."

As executive director, Drankoski will oversee Gardere's administrative functions throughout the Firm's five offices and will play a key role in the firm's Dallas office move this fall.