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**Real Estate Professional Joins Equity**

**Frank S. Messer**, of Cincinnati, has joined Equity as Director of Construction Operations for the North Central Region, overseeing regional construction operations for the area of Cincinnati, Lexington and Louisville. Frank's addition to the Construction division comes as a result of its 20% growth in each of the past three years, during which over \$100,000,000 in diverse construction projects were completed. Frank will report to Tom Nocar, Regional Vice President of Construction Services, allowing Tom to focus more greatly on growth of construction services throughout the region, including new markets. Frank's 30 years of construction experience will add additional depth to Equity's Construction Division. He will be directly involved in management of the Middletown Regional Hospital campus projects in Middletown and the new Westside Surgery Center in Cincinnati.

Before joining Equity, Frank worked as a partner at Frank Messer and Sons Construction Company for 30 years. He was primarily responsible for value engineering, and gained broad and extensive experience in all aspects of construction, from field work to project management. His experience includes numerous types of projects including medical, retail, office and industrial.

For Frank, joining Equity was an opportunity to better serve current and future clients in the local area using the firm's full service platform that includes development, real estate services, property management and finance – instead of the more one-dimensional approach of traditional construction companies. Frank was also attracted to Equity because its strong values and its commitment to deliver its services with absolute integrity, quality and value.

Equity was incorporated in 1989 with offices in Blue Ash, Ohio, Tampa, Florida and headquartered in Worthington, Ohio. Equity is one of the largest developer/ builders of commercial projects in Ohio, and the 22<sup>nd</sup> largest developer of healthcare projects in the United States according to Modern Healthcare Magazine. The company has three operating divisions: construction, development, and real estate services. Blue Ash offices are located at 11300 Cornell Park Drive, Suite 150, Cincinnati, OH 45242 513/336-8765