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Joseph Hietpas Tapped as Legal Counsel for ElmTree Funds

ST. LOUIS, Mo., - April 4, 2017 – ElmTree Funds, LLC is pleased to announce that Joseph Hietpas has been hired by The Schott Law Firm, LLC to serve as legal counsel for ElmTree Funds. The Schott Law Firm has acted as General Counsel to ElmTree Funds since ElmTree’s inception in 2011. Mr. Hietpas will work from ElmTree’s St. Louis headquarters, assisting the private equity real estate investment firm in legal matters related to acquisitions, dispositions, development, leasing and financing.

Hietpas’ background includes serving as a managing associate at Dentons US LLP in the firm’s real estate practice group. During his time there, he represented lenders, developers, landlords and tenants in the structuring, negotiation and documentation of real estate and financing transactions across the country, with an emphasis on lender-side real estate financing.

“Joe’s legal expertise and industry insight will be helpful as we continue to acquire single-tenant, office, industrial and healthcare properties across the United States,” said Stephen Schott, General Counsel to ElmTree Funds. “We are thrilled to have him join The Schott Law Firm and ElmTree teams.”

Hieptas earned his J.D. from Washington University School of Law and holds a Bachelor of Arts in Economics from Northwestern University. Prior to attending law school, Hieptas spent nearly nine years with the New York Mets organization, first as a professional baseball player after being drafted as a catcher in the 16th round of the 2001 First-Year Player Draft, and closing out his final year with them in 2010 as a professional scout. Originally from Appleton, Wis., he currently resides in Kirkwood, Mo.

About ElmTree Funds, LLC

ElmTree Funds, LLC is a private equity investment firm based in St. Louis, with offices and affiliates across the country that seeks opportunities in the commercial sale leaseback and net lease real estate markets. www.elmtreefunds.com.

About The Schott Law Firm LLC

The Schott Law Firm LLC is a law firm based in St. Louis that acts as General Counsel to ElmTree Funds, LLC. The Schott Law Firm specializes in real estate, corporate, financing and private equity transactions.

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