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## **The McLean Group Continues its Rapid Expansion in Government Contracting M&A with the Acquisition of The Merrill Advisory Group**

McLean, VA, April 2010 – The McLean Group, LLC, a national middle market investment bank, today announced that it has acquired Merrill Advisory Group, LLC (MAG), a boutique firm specializing in providing mergers & acquisitions advisory services to aerospace, defense, government services, intelligence and homeland security companies.

Taking its name from the famed WWII U.S. Army Unit, "Merrill's Marauders," MAG was founded by a group of investment bankers with distinguished military service records who shared a passion for national security and governance. The military experience of MAG's Principals, their industry relationships and commitment to excellence distinguishes MAG as one of the leading government sector advisory firms. Also based in McLean, MAG will be relocating its office to The McLean Group's headquarters at 7900 Westpark Drive, McLean, VA.

The addition of MAG's key professionals and Board of Advisors will further enhance The McLean Group's government contracting M&A services and expand its reach within the defense industry. McLean Group chairman and founder Dennis Roberts stated, "We are extremely excited about merging MAG into The McLean Group. The firm's extensive experience in the defense industry strengthens our existing government contracting M&A team. Coupled with our firm's market intelligence, business valuation services and broad M&A capabilities, this is another great step as we continue to build the premier national investment banks exclusively focused on the middle market."

In 2010's first quarter, The McLean Group's Government Contracting Practice advised on Korn/Ferry International (NYSE: KFY)'s acquisition of SENSE Solutions and DynCorp International (NYSE: DCP)'s acquisition of Casals & Associates. The government contracting team has closed nearly a dozen transactions in the past two years, including eXMeritus' sale to Boeing (NYSE: BA) and TetraTech's (NASDAQ: TTEK) acquisition of DPK Consulting and Haselwood Enterprises.

### **About The McLean Group, LLC**

The McLean Group, LLC, is a national, middle-market investment bank headquartered in McLean, VA, which provides merger and acquisition (M&A), capital formation, market intelligence, business valuation, litigation support, and exit planning services. The McLean Group serves businesses generating up to \$500 million in annual revenue. The firm has more than 30 offices nationwide, serving domestic and international clients with a broad resume of successfully consummated financial transactions. Securities transactions are cleared through The McLean Group's affiliate, McLean Securities, LLC, a FINRA Registered Broker Dealer and Member FINRA/SIPC. For more information, visit [www.mcleanllc.com](http://www.mcleanllc.com).

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