



Quanex Names Delaney as Corporate Secretary

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HOUSTON, March 1 /PRNewswire-FirstCall/ -- Quanex Corporation (NYSE: NX) today announced the election of Kevin P. Delaney as Vice President and Corporate Secretary of the Company. Delaney joined the Company as Vice President - General Counsel in July 2003.

"Since joining us last year, Kevin played a key role in completing our last two acquisitions and has helped us build upon our strong corporate governance and compliance programs," said Raymond A. Jean, President, Chairman and CEO of Quanex. "We are confident he will serve the Board well in this increasingly important role."

Delaney graduated from Austin College with a B.A. in Political Science and received his J.D. from Baylor University School of Law. He is admitted to practice law in Texas and is a member of the American Corporate Counsel Association and the American Society of Corporate Secretaries.

Quanex Corporation is \$1.3 billion industry-leading manufacturer of value-added engineered materials and components serving the Vehicular Products and Building Products markets. The company was founded in 1927 and its stock is listed on the New York Stock Exchange under the symbol NX. For further information visit the Company website at www.quanex.com.

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