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ANNOUNCING THE RETIREMENT OF GREG & ROBIN MOTT AND THE SALE OF MOTT & SHAY TO SOUTHERN LAND & TIMBER CONSULTANTS, LLC – LARRY J. HARRUP AND CHRIS MORRISSETTE

I began my Consulting Forester career in September of 1979 in Roanoke Rapids, North Carolina. Now, “42” years later, September 2021, it is time to pass the reigns of the business off to a couple of “younger” professional forest consultants who will be able to serve our many wonderful and loyal clients for decades to come. When Mott & Shay was formed in 1987, my wife, Robin joined the company as secretary, treasurer & office manager. Together we have enjoyed, not only serving our many clients, but the warm, friendly and deep relationships we have developed over the years. It is a difficult thing to have to let go and say good-bye to everyone but, in doing so, it is comforting to know that we will be leaving you in good hands. Larry Harrup and Chris Morrisette are very ethical, highly qualified, experienced professionals who will serve you well for decades to come.

I hope to have the opportunity to introduce these fine young gentlemen to you before we start our retirements in January of 2022. I also hope that you will strongly consider allowing Chris and Larry the opportunity to serve you, just as we have for so many years. You will be impressed and well served – I assure you.

I will be retained on a part-time basis in the forestry end of the business for consultation and to see current projects through to completion through 2022. As for Real Estate, I will be very involved as the acting “Broker-In-Charge” in North Carolina and the “Principal Broker” in Virginia until Larry and/or Chris obtain their qualifying licenses for these positions.

Last, but certainly not least, something that will be a great comfort to all of you – Larry and Chris have agreed to hire our long-time Forest Technician, R.C. Riggan. Most of you have known R.C. for as long as he has been working for Mott & Shay (35+/- years). R.C. is familiar with each and every one of you and your forests. R.C. looks forward to continue serving you & he will be a great asset to Larry & Chris as they help you with the ongoing management of your forests.

So, it is with mixed emotions, and it is bitter-sweet that we have come to this stage of our careers and life. We knew retirement would come sometime and that time is now. We thank each and every one of you who have put your trust in us to serve you over the years. We thank you for your loyalty, faith and friendships. You are the reason for our success. We wish you all the very best as we get set to retire and we are **certain** that we leave you in the very capable hands of **Southern Land & Timber Consultants, LLC**.

Sincerely,

Greg & Robin Mott

LARRY J. HARRUP



MARK C. "CHRIS" MORRISSETTE



Larry is NC Registered Forester #1802. He is 39 years old and a "newly-wed." He married his wife, Taylor, a pharmacist for Drugco, on May 21, 2021. They live on Lake Gaston with their 2 dogs, Drake (a Black Lab) and Clark (a Black Lab Collie mix). Larry graduated from Dabney S. Lancaster Community College in 2010 with an Associate Degree in Forest Technology. In 2012 he received his Bachelor Degree in Forest Resource Management from Virginia Tech where he developed a friendship with Chris Morrisette that has turned into a professional relationship. Upon graduating, Larry worked for Union Level Land & Timber, LLC, a very reputable company in South Hill, Virginia where he was their Procurement Forester. In 2015 he formed his own forest consulting company, "Southern Forestry, LLC," and later "Southern Land & Timber Consultants, LLC" which Chris Morrisette has recently joined. Larry now manages several thousand acres of timberland in North Carolina and Virginia. Larry is a member of the Society of American Foresters. He earned his NC Real Estate Provisional Broker license #332600 in July of 2021 and continues with post licensing classes with the goal of being a full broker as soon as he can. When Larry sets a goal for himself, he always attains it. His goal now, along with friend and business partner, Chris Morrisette, is the acquisition of Mott & Shay Consulting Foresters and to continue offering Mott & Shay's clients with professional, ethical, expert forest management, timber sales, pine thinnings and Real Estate sales. Larry's knowledge and experience in the forestry industry and forest management will serve you well.

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Chris is 31 years old and is a life-long resident of Disputanta, Virginia where he lives with his wife of 6 years, Kaitlyn, and their two children, son, Carter now 3 and their one year old daughter Mallory. Chris graduated Prince George High School in 2008 and graduated from Virginia Tech with a Bachelors Degree in Forest Resource Management in 2012. Straight out of Virginia Tech he began work with RCT Logging, LLC of Green Bay, Virginia. Chris worked as Procurement Forester of the company for 9 years and helped coordinate daily logging operations for 2-3 logging crews. RCT Logging has an outstanding reputation for excellent logging, due in part to Chris' help over the years. Chris has always wanted to be a Forestry Consultant and in September of this year (2021) he began that transition and joined Southern Land and Timber Consultants, LLC with founder Larry Harrup. Helping forest landowners to achieve their goals is Chris' goal. Together Chris and Larry of Southern Land and Timber Consultants, LLC will be taking over (purchasing) the well-established and respected business of Mott & Shay Consulting Foresters to continue helping and advising the Mott & Shay cliental for decades to come. Chris' extensive knowledge of the regional timber markets and mills will be a great benefit to all who he serves.

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