## **News from the Delaware Investments Equity group**



Steve Catricks, CFA, who has been with Delaware Investments since 2001, has joined the Delaware Small-Cap Value Equity team as a senior equity analyst. Prior to joining this team, he performed small-cap equity research for two different teams at Delaware Investments. Most recently he worked with the Strategic Equity team, which had a value orientation, and earlier as part of the Emerging Growth team.

With the Small-Cap Value Equity team, Steve will focus on the technology and business services sectors in the team's management of both small-cap and mid-cap value portfolios.

Before he joined Delaware Investments, he was an equity analyst at BlackRock Financial from 1999 to 2001, where he specialized in small-capitalization growth stocks. He also worked as a systems engineer at Dow Jones/Factiva, and as a senior systems engineer

at GE Aerospace/Lockheed Martin. He started his career as a systems engineer at the Naval Air Development Center, where he spent 15 years. Catricks holds a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Drexel University and a master's degree in engineering from the University of Pennsylvania, and has nearly 20 years of experience in the technology industry. Catricks is a member of the Institute of Electrical and Electronics Engineers.

"Having someone with Steve's extensive experience, his superior technical background, and familiarity with Delaware Investments is a significant benefit to the team," said Chris Beck, senior vice president, chief investment officer of the Delaware Small-Cap Value Equity team. "He can hit the ground running and make an immediate impact."

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