



Optical Holdings, LLC and Clarkson Eyecare Announce Investment of Eyecarecenter

ST. LOUIS, MO—August 21, 2015—Clarkson Eyecare, one of the largest eye care groups in the Midwest, announced today the strategic investment in Eyecarecenter (ECC), a 61 office optometry practice across North Carolina and South Carolina.

Since 1954, ECC has been a premier source for eye care products and services in North Carolina and South Carolina. Its services include comprehensive vision and eye health examinations, vision check-ups for children and products and fittings for glasses, contact lenses and prescription sunglasses.

"We are honored to be partnering with ECC, who has been dedicated to the eye health of its patients for 61 years," said Anthony Nunn, President of Clarkson Eyecare. "Clarkson Eyecare will be working closely with Dr. Allan Barker, President of ECC, and his team to ensure they have all the tools necessary to effectively expand business and continue as the leading eye care provider in the Carolinas."



Dr. Allan Barker, President of ECC, is eager to collaborate with Clarkson Eyecare, saying, "ECC's mission is to be the most patient-centric company in the Carolinas. We know that this new relationship with Clarkson Eyecare has tremendous benefits which will enhance our mission and ability to deliver the highest quality, most efficient eye care to our patients."

"I look forward to joining forces with ECC's group of highly trained optometrists as we continue to expand and give the patients of North Carolina and South Carolina the best eye care possible," says Dr. James Wachter, Co-Chairman and Chief Professional Officer of Clarkson Eyecare.



About Clarkson Eyecare

Based in St. Louis, and founded in 1979, Clarkson Eyecare currently offers comprehensive medical eye care services at more than 100 offices located throughout Missouri, Southern Illinois, Ohio, Northern Kentucky, Alabama, North Carolina and South Carolina. Clarkson serves the vision care needs of hundreds of thousands of patients annually and offers ophthalmological and LASIK service, and an integrated full service lab. Clarkson's Eyecare360 software was specifically designed for the optical retail industry and has benefited from years of feedback from Clarkson optometrists, opticians and office staff. Clarksoneyecare.com

HPC Puckett & Company acted as financial advisor to Eyecarecenters and Golub Capital provided financing for the transaction.