



Applied Materials Names Thomas F. Larkins as Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary

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SANTA CLARA, Calif., November 12, 2012 - Applied Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq: AMAT) announced today that Thomas F. Larkins has been named as Senior Vice President, General Counsel, and Corporate Secretary effective November 26, following the planned retirement of Joseph J. Sweeney, the Company's long-time general counsel.

"Tom brings the broad range of experience and skills to be an effective partner in achieving our global strategic and operational priorities," said Mike Splinter, chairman and CEO. "Tom has a track record of using his business and legal acumen to drive growth and manage risk. We are delighted to welcome him to Applied Materials."

Larkins joins Applied from Honeywell International, a diversified global technology and manufacturing leader, where he served as Vice President, Corporate Secretary and Deputy General Counsel since 2002. He brings a wealth of experience in mergers and acquisitions, global commercial transactions and operations, corporate finance, securities, and corporate governance. He joined Honeywell (formerly AlliedSignal) in 1997 and has served in various positions, including Vice President and General Counsel of its Automation and Control Solutions business segment and General Counsel of its Aerospace Services business unit. Larkins received his undergraduate degree from Stanford University and his J.D. from the University of Southern California.

"I want to thank Joe for his many contributions to our success. His sound judgment, strategic counsel, and enterprise-wide perspective have been invaluable," added Splinter. "Since joining the Company in 1993, he transformed the role of general counsel, assembling a first-rate legal team while building our world-class IP portfolio. We wish him the best in a well-deserved retirement."

About Applied Materials

Applied Materials, Inc. (Nasdaq:AMAT) is the global leader in providing innovative equipment, services and software to enable the manufacture of advanced semiconductor, flat panel display and solar photovoltaic products. Our technologies help make innovations like smartphones, flat screen TVs and solar panels more affordable and accessible to consumers and businesses around the world. Learn more at www.appliedmaterials.com.

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