



McLARTY DANIEL

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RML Automotive NWA Acquires Three Everett Dealerships

Expands McLarty Daniel's Footprint to Six Dealerships and More Than 600 Employees

BENTONVILLE, Ark. (March 1, 2018) – RML Automotive NWA has acquired three new dealerships in Northwest Arkansas: Everett Buick GMC in Bentonville, Everett Chevrolet in Springdale and Everett Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Fiat in Springdale. The dealerships will now operate under the name McLarty Daniel.

“The Everett family has done a tremendous job with these dealerships, and we look forward to building on their strong growth,” said Russ Daniel, managing partner and operator of the McLarty Daniel dealerships in Bentonville. “This marriage creates one of the largest and most capable dealership groups in Northwest Arkansas — expanding our brand coverage to deliver the highest level of customer satisfaction and value. It also allows us to increase the size and scope of our community support.”

Upon closing, the dealerships were renamed McLarty Daniel Buick GMC, McLarty Daniel Chevrolet and McLarty Daniel Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Fiat of Springdale. As part of the purchase, McLarty Daniel also assumed control of the Everett collision center at the Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Fiat dealership. The dealerships join RML Automotive’s other automotive holdings in the region, including McLarty Daniel Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram, McLarty Daniel Ford and McLarty Daniel Nissan in Bentonville.

“We love our employees and loyal customers in Northwest Arkansas,” said Dwight Everett, owner of Everett Automotive Group. “This decision is no reflection on our great team members or the Northwest Arkansas community. It is simply a business decision that aligns better, long-term, with our purpose.”

McLarty Daniel Buick GMC is located at 2517 SE Best Lane along Bentonville's auto dealership thoroughfare directly between McLarty Daniel Nissan and McLarty Daniel Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram on Moberly Lane. McLarty Daniel Chevrolet is at 1159 N. 45th Street in Springdale, and McLarty Daniel Chrysler Dodge Jeep Ram Fiat of Springdale and its auto collision center are located at 3709 and 3705 S. Thompson Street, respectively. The three dealerships are owned and operated by RML Automotive NWA, LLC, which includes RML Automotive, owned by Robert L. Johnson and Thomas F. “Mack” McLarty; JH Auto Holdings, LLC; and Blue & Silver Ventures, Ltd. RML Automotive.

About RML Automotive

Based in Little Rock and Dallas, RML Automotive is a \$1.6-billion operation consisting of 25 dealerships representing 54 franchises and seven collision centers across seven states in the South Central, Southeast and Midwest regions of the country. In less than ten years, RML has grown to one of the top 25 dealership groups in the country as ranked in *Automotive News* and is the largest minority-owned auto dealership in the country, being listed as #1 on *Black Enterprise's* "100s Auto Dealers" list for several years running. For more information, visit rmlauto.com.

About Everett Automotive Group

The Everett family owns and operates four automotive dealerships – Everett Buick GMC in Bryant, Ark.; INFINTI of Central Arkansas in Benton, Ark.; Toyota of Paris in Paris, Texas; and Toyota of Mt. Pleasant in Mt. Pleasant, Texas. In Arkansas, these stores represent the nation's top GM dealer by sales volume and the fastest growing luxury dealership. The group is one of Arkansas' largest privately-owned businesses.

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