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Lane Powell Expands Anchorage Office With Addition of Huggler and Strong

Firm Announcement

Lane Powell is pleased to announce that Associate Hans Huggler and Counsel to the Firm Miranda Strong have joined the firm's Anchorage office.

Hans N. Huggler, who is relocating from the firm's Portland office, is a commercial litigator with a focus on transportation and insurance-related matters. After earning his J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Lewis & Clark Law School, Huggler served as a Law Clerk for the Honorable Sharon Gleason of the U.S. District Court for the District of Alaska before joining Lane Powell. Over the next few months, Huggler will complete the requirements for an LL.M. degree in Air & Space Law from McGill University's Institute of Air and Space Law in Montreal, Quebec, including a research project focusing on U.S. court jurisdiction over international air crash claims. In addition to his studies and work at the firm, Huggler serves as a Representative-at-Large on the Executive Committee of the Transportation Lawyers Association. He also holds undergraduate degrees in Economics and Political Science from Oregon State University and a M.Sc. in Criminal Justice Policy from the London School of Economics & Political Science.

Huggler shared, "Lane Powell offers the ability to represent clients across the Pacific Northwest and Alaska from any office, and my wife and I were eager to return to Anchorage to enjoy the Alaska lifestyle and raise our son in this community. I have been counsel on cases in Alaska my entire

career and look forward to becoming a greater part of Alaska’s vibrant legal community.”

Miranda L. Strong focuses her practice on compliance, litigation, government affairs and employment. She joins the firm from the Bering Straits Native Corporation, where she served as Chief Ethics and Compliance Officer and Associate General Counsel. In that role, she conducted investigations; handled administrative employment hearings; designed and directed corporate compliance, records and information management, and export compliance programs; and advised on Arctic, Alaska Native, corporate and energy public policy. Strong also spent time as an Assistant Attorney General for the State of Alaska, where she was a trial and appellate litigator, and a tribal liaison and special assistant advising the executive branch on emerging Alaska Native legal and policy matters. She is Co-Founder and Co-Chair of the Alaska Compliance Alliance and serves as a Pro Bono Attorney for the Alaska Network on Domestic Violence and Sexual Assault. Strong received her J.D. from the University of Washington School of Law, her M.P.A from the University of Alaska Southeast, and her B.A. in Philosophy from the University of Alaska Anchorage. She is also a Society of Corporate Compliance and Ethics Certified Compliance and Ethics Professional (CCEP).

Strong shared, “Lane Powell impressed me with its strength in litigation, compliance and employment. Coming from an in-house position at an Alaska Native Corporation, I know how vital those practice areas are to our business community. As a third-generation Alaskan, I love practicing law here in Alaska because our Bar, clients and the larger community are so interconnected.”

Lane Powell was established in 1875, and in 1979, became the first outside firm to open an office in Alaska, making it one of the state’s and the Pacific Northwest’s oldest and longest-running law firms. Lane Powell’s Alaska team has extensive experience handling complex, diverse litigation and business matters for clients spanning all of the major industries in Alaska, with support from the firm’s 180+ attorneys in Seattle and Portland.