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Powers Expands Litigation Practice

Powers Pyles Sutter & Verville has expanded its national litigation practice with the addition of attorney Steve Kuperberg who recently joined the firm as Counsel. Steve's arrival will bolster the firm's litigation team, which represents healthcare and education entities in civil, administrative and criminal litigation matters, as well as handling a wide variety of general litigation matters and internal investigations.

Steve's practice has concentrated on matters alleging violations of federal fraud and abuse laws, healthcare promotional practices laws, and antitrust laws. Steve's clients have included pharmaceutical and medical device manufacturers, insurance providers, prescription benefit managers, hospitals and higher education institutions, among others.

As Counsel, Steve will join Principals Larry Gondelman and Ron Connelly and Senior Counsel Harold Damelin in the Powers litigation practice. Working closely with the firm's healthcare and education practices, Larry has led the litigation team at Powers since joining the firm nearly 15 years ago.

Larry is known for his litigation and trial attorney background, which is coupled with his considerable knowledge of healthcare and education matters. He has represented numerous clients in investigations by various Offices of Inspector General, Assistant United States Attorneys, and several divisions of the Department of Justice, and has defended many healthcare and education clients in False Claims Act cases.

Additionally, Larry has litigated a wide variety of criminal cases involving public officials, government contractors and executives of corporations, and has also conducted many internal investigations on behalf of clients in connection with alleged misconduct by employees.

Ron Connelly represents acute care hospitals, rehabilitation facilities, academic medical centers, physicians, and other providers on a variety of healthcare matters, with a particular focus on litigation related to Medicare and Medicaid reimbursement.

Ron has extensive experience litigating large dollar specialty payments, such as Medicare graduate medical education, and is a leader of the firm's practice representing providers in audits and appeals of Medicare coverage determinations. Ron has represented clients in district courts and courts of appeal, before the Provider Reimbursement Review Board with respect to hospital

cost report appeals, and before administrative law judges on matters related to individual claim appeals.

Harry Damelin rejoined Powers after several significant government positions including serving as Inspector General for both the Small Business Administration and the Department of Treasury, both Presidential appointments requiring Senate confirmation. Most recently, Harry served as Counselor to the Inspector General for the Department of Justice.

Harry represents both companies and individuals during all phases of criminal, civil false claims, and administrative investigations and proceedings brought by federal or state law enforcement authorities and regulatory agencies. He is also experienced in representing clients in connection with both U.S. Senate and House congressional investigations and in conducting corporate internal investigations relating to alleged employee misconduct.

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