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Gibson Dunn Promotes 35 Lawyers to Partnership

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Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher LLP has elected 35 lawyers to its partnership, effective January 1, 2024. Commenting on the partnership class, Gibson Dunn Chair and Managing Partner Barbara L. Becker said: “These extraordinary lawyers have already made innumerable contributions to the firm and to our clients. They are integral parts of their offices and practices, and we are thrilled to celebrate this milestone achievement with them.” The newly elected partners are: **Ryan S. Appleby** (Litigation / Los Angeles) focuses his practice on complex civil litigation and trial advocacy and has helped clients navigate disputes in state and federal courts, as well as in domestic and international arbitrations. He received his law degree from the University of Southern California Gould School of Law in 2013. **Melissa L. Barshop** (Global Finance / Los Angeles) has experience in a broad range of financing transactions, including acquisition financings, secured and unsecured corporate credit facilities, Rule 144A transactions, private placements, convertible debt offerings, exchange offers, mezzanine transactions, and work-outs and debt restructurings. She earned her JD from Columbia Law School in 2006. **Jeremy M. Christiansen** (Litigation / Washington, D.C.) represents clients from a wide variety of industries in high-stakes litigation, appellate and administrative law matters. He graduated from the S.J. Quinney College of Law at The University of Utah in 2014. **Lee R. Crain** (Litigation / New York) represents clients in a broad array of high-stakes trial and appellate litigation in federal and state courts involving media and entertainment, tech, employment law, and the First Amendment. He graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 2014. **Elizabeth Aislinn Dooley** (Litigation / San Francisco) represents clients across industries with a focus on high-stakes employment and appellate matters. She graduated from Stanford Law School in 2013. **Samuel Eckman** (Appellate and Constitutional Law / Los Angeles) is an appellate litigator with extensive experience representing clients in the U.S. Supreme Court and federal and state appellate courts across the country. He graduated from The University of Chicago Law School in 2013. **Melissa L. Farrar** (White Collar Defense and Investigations / Washington, D.C.) represents and advises multinational corporations in internal and government investigations on a wide range of issues, including compliance with the U.S. Foreign Corrupt Practices Act and other anti-corruption laws, anti-money laundering, export controls and fraud. She graduated from the George Washington University Law School in 2013. **Jamie E. France** (Antitrust and Competition / Washington, D.C.) represents clients in antitrust merger and non-merger investigations before the Federal Trade Commission, Department of Justice, state Attorneys General and international competition authorities, as well as in complex private and government antitrust litigation. She graduated from the University of Texas School of Law in 2011. **Stéphane Frank** (Antitrust and Competition / Brussels) has significant experience in merger control, abuse of dominance and cartel enforcement. He received his LL.M. from the University of Chicago Law School in 2011 and a Master of Laws from Université Paris 1 Panthéon-Sorbonne in 2010. **Robert D. Giannattasio** (Capital Markets / New York) has broad corporate and capital markets experience representing issuers and underwriters on a variety of public and private debt and equity offerings, as well as advising public companies on SEC and governance matters. He received his law degree from Boston College Law School in 2013. **Matt Gregory** (Appellate and Constitutional Law / Washington, D.C.) represents corporate clients in a wide range of appellate, administrative law, and litigation matters. He graduated from the University of Michigan Law School in 2014. **Evan M. Gusler** (Tax / New York) focuses on domestic and international tax planning for corporations, partnerships, REITs, and investment funds and

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