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Perkins Coie Grows Personal Planning Practice and Texas Presence with Partner Stephanie Loomis-Price

DALLAS and AUSTIN (October 6, 2022)—Perkins Coie is pleased to announce that Stephanie Loomis-Price has joined the firm's Personal Planning practice as partners in the firm's Dallas and Austin offices, respectively. The partner is as chair of the firm's Tax & Fiduciary Litigation Industry Group.

The addition of Stephanie continues the strategic growth of the firm's presence and client capabilities in Texas. The Tax & Fiduciary Litigation Industry Group provides counsel to clients on tax controversy matters, including litigation, and has deep experience representing clients before the Internal Revenue Service (IRS), the U.S. Tax Court, and other state and federal courts. The group represents financial institutions, individual trustees, personal representatives, and individuals in complex tax controversy matters.

"We're excited to add Stephanie to our national practice and know their experience and focus will significantly benefit our clients in Texas and beyond," said <u>Scott Wallace</u>, the firmwide chair of Perkins Coie's Personal Planning practice. "Tax controversy matters are increasingly complex, and Stephanie's litigation strengths will be highly valuable to clients with matters before the IRS, the U.S. Tax Court, and other state and federal courts."

Stephanie litigates high-stakes cases and advises a wide range of clients, including executors, trustees, and beneficiaries, as well as business owners and families, in tax-related litigation and audit risk mitigation strategies. She also advises clients on federal gift and estate tax litigation, as well as state fiduciary and probate controversy matters. Stephanie has practiced in front of the IRS, the U.S. Tax Court, county probate courts in Texas, several U.S. courts of appeals, and the U.S. Court of Federal Claims.

"Perkins Coie continues to expand its Texas presence across a range of practices in response to robust client demand, and we're thrilled to welcome Stephanie to our growing team," said <u>Jill Louis</u>, the managing partner of the firm's Dallas office. "Abigail and Stephanie's deep understanding of personal planning matters will help our clients to successfully navigate a complex compliance landscape."

"We're thrilled to further advance our Texas growth with Stephanie and that she chose to join us in Austin and Dallas," said Andy Smetana, the managing partner of the firm's Austin office. "We continue to make strategic investments and additions to meet client demand, and their practice will complement other areas of focus for our office and firm, including our legal counsel to entrepreneurs and founders."

Stephanie joins Perkins Coie from Winstead PC.

Stephanie earned her J.D., *cum laude*, from Georgetown University Law Center, her B.A., with honors, from Austin College, and her M.S. from John Hopkins University.

Perkins Coie's Trust & Estate Planning team works with families and high-net-worth individuals, helping them define and meet their estate planning needs. Members of the Trust & Estate Planning practice provide tailored planning for owners of closely held businesses, senior officers of public companies, and entrepreneurs. The

planning may involve managing financial resources through the strategic use of trusts, gifts, sales, and other income- and wealth-transfer devices. The team implements family and philanthropic goals while minimizing income, gift, and estate taxes.

Perkins Coie is a leading international law firm that is known for providing high-value, strategic solutions and extraordinary client service on matters vital to our clients' success. With more than 1,200 lawyers in offices across the United States and Asia, we provide a full array of corporate, commercial litigation, intellectual property, and regulatory legal advice to a broad range of clients, including many of the world's most innovative companies and industry leaders as well as public and not-for-profit organizations.

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