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Pacifica Law Group Promotes Three New Partners

Congratulations to Kymberly Evanson, Brie Jensen, and Greg Wong

Seattle—November 18, 2014—<u>Pacifica Law Group</u> is very pleased to announce that <u>Kymberly</u> <u>Evanson</u>, <u>Brie Jensen</u>, and <u>Greg Wong</u> have been elected into the partnership, effective January 1, 2015.

Kymberly Evanson represents public, private, and not-for-profit clients in trial and appellate litigation matters, with a focus on constitutional, municipal, elections, and administrative law. She regularly advises clients in litigation matters arising under the National Environmental Policy Act, the Administrative Procedure Act, and the First Amendment, as well as other federal and state statutes. She also provides general counseling on a variety of municipal issues and works closely with Pacifica's public finance team in finance-related litigation matters. Kymberly has successfully represented clients before the United States Supreme Court, the United States Court of Appeals for the Ninth and District of Columbia Circuits, the Washington State Supreme Court and various federal and state trial courts. She has served on the Alumni Board of Governors for Seattle University and is currently on the Board of Lawyers Helping Hungry Children. She is also a volunteer attorney at the Federal Civil Rights Legal Clinic for the United States District Court for the Western District of Washington.

Brie Jensen's practice covers the full range of commercial real estate and business transactions with a focus on leasing, development, acquisition, and disposition of commercial properties. She represents owners, landlords, tenants, developers, and business owners in a wide variety of transactions involving real property. Brie has represented Northwest developers in connection with the development and further sale of regional shopping centers, office buildings, and industrial properties. Work for her current clients includes drafting and negotiating complex office, industrial, and retail leases; purchase and sale documents; development agreements, easements, and licenses. Prior to practicing law, Brie was a commercial real estate broker who represented landlords and tenants in the Seattle and Eastside markets.

Greg Wong serves as legal counsel to a diverse group of public, private, and not-for-profit clients, focusing on complex issues which often impact people's lives in the Pacific Northwest. As a litigator and appellate attorney, he has been successful in the trial courts, courts of appeal, and Supreme Court. Greg also provides strategic and general counsel advice in numerous

areas, including education policy and laws, elections and initiative issues, constitutional law, legislation and public policy, private-public partnerships, the Family Educational Rights & Privacy Act (FERPA), and Washington's Public Records Act. Among other matters, he has assisted the City of Seattle with its universal preschool program, successfully challenged the constitutionality of the "two-thirds" initiative, drafted and litigated several ballot measures, and advised collective impact coalitions involving school districts and non-profits working together to improve educational outcomes. Greg is passionate about *pro bono* services and civic engagement. He is President of the Schools First Coalition and headed the successful 2013 Seattle School District levies campaign, for which he received the Seattle Council PTSA's Golden Acorn Award. Greg is a Seattle City Council appointee to the City of Seattle Families and Education Levy Oversight and Planning Committees (where he served as co-chair of the successful 2011 levy renewal campaign), a Board Member of the Washington Budget & Policy Center, and a former Board Member of the Municipal League.

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