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Pacifica Law Group Grows Public Finance Practice
Partner Alison Benge Brings Added Federal Tax Law Strength to Firm

Seattle—Pacifica Law Group is pleased to announce that Alison J. Benge has joined the firm as a partner in its public finance and municipal law group, adding to and complementing the firm's existing federal tax law practice. Alison's practice will focus on federal income taxation issues in public finance transactions, and she will work with Pacifica's public finance team as tax counsel for governmental, 501(c)(3) and other tax-exempt clients. Alison brings extensive experience as bond counsel, disclosure counsel and tax counsel in publicly and privately offered financings that include general obligation bonds, utility revenue bonds, tax credit and direct subsidy bonds, assessment and special tax bonds, tax allocation bonds, lease financings and certificates of participation for governmental borrowers, multifamily housing bonds, industrial development bonds, and 501(c)(3) bonds for conduit borrowers.

Alison is a member of the National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) and is a frequent panelist at its Fundamentals of Bond Law, Tax and Securities Law Institute and Bond Attorneys' Workshops.

Alison earned her J.D. from Duke University School of Law, *cum laude*, and her B.A. in Economics from Hanover College, *summa cum laude*.

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