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Pacifica Law Group Promotes Susan Winkelman and Miriam Chung to Partnership

Seattle, WA — Pacifica Law Group is pleased to announce that lawyers [Susan Winkelman](#) and [Miriam Chung](#) have been elected to the partnership, effective January 1, 2021.

Susan's practice focuses on representing public school districts in special education matters. She provides general counsel and advice regarding compliance with state and federal special education laws, assists school districts with preparing for and participating in IEP team meetings, and represents school districts in all stages of litigation, including dispute resolution. She has successfully litigated on behalf of school districts in special education due process hearings, as well as subsequent federal district court appeals, and routinely assists school districts with responding to Citizen Complaints filed with OSPI.

Miriam's practice focuses on real property transactions, and in particular, complex commercial real estate leasing. She has extensive experience drafting and negotiating lease agreements for office, retail, and industrial properties. In addition to leasing, Miriam has significant experience representing real estate owners, tenants and developers in real estate-related litigation and dispute resolution, as well as broad litigation experience in a variety of commercial lawsuits. She also has experience representing institutional investors in their private equity investments and financial institutions and mortgage brokers before state and federal financial institution regulators.

"We are very pleased to welcome Miriam and Susan to the leadership of the firm," said Gerry Johnson, managing partner at Pacifica Law Group. "Both women are highly regarded in the legal community and in their areas of practice. Our clients have benefited from their expertise for many years, and we are proud that they have chosen to build their careers at Pacifica," he added.

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project counseling and real estate law. Representative clients include Burlington Northern Santa Fe Railway Co., City of Seattle, Pike Place Market, Port of Seattle, Seattle Art Museum, Sound Transit, Teachers Insurance & Annuity Association, Washington State Housing Finance Commission, Woodland Park Zoo and numerous other cities, counties, municipalities, public utility districts, public and private companies, school districts and universities.

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