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## JENNIFER READ JOINS PORTERFIELD, FETTIG & SEARS, LLC

Recent Deputy Chief Counsel for the House Financial Services Committee to Add Expertise, Counsel and Perspective on the 117<sup>th</sup> Congress

**Washington, DC** – Porterfield, Fettig & Sears, LLC (PFS), a leading bipartisan government relations firm, announced today that Jennifer Read has joined the company as Vice President and Counsel. Read's decision to join the firm comes after serving at the House Financial Services Committee under Chairwoman Maxine Waters (D-CA) for three Congressional terms.

"We are excited to welcome Jenn to the PFS family," said Lendell Porterfield, CEO of PFS. "Jenn is a problem solver with policy making expertise, excellent judgment and outstanding interpersonal skills. She will be an asset to our clients and our firm on day one."

Read served as Deputy Chief Counsel for the House Financial Services Committee. In that role, she advised the Chairwoman on the Committee's legislative agenda, and helped manage the Committee's hearings, markups and floor activity. She also oversaw the Committee's Member Services operation and managed the Committee's external relations.

Before being promoted to Deputy Chief Counsel, Read served as Senior Counsel on the Committee, assigned to oversight and investigations. She was the lead attorney on the Committee's investigation into financial institutions' compliance with various Bank Secrecy Act and Anti-Money Laundering (BSA/AML) policies and procedures and coordinated with House Leadership, the House Office of General Counsel, and other House committees on historic litigation that ultimately advanced to the U.S. Supreme Court. Before her promotion to Senior Counsel, Read served as Counsel on the Committee, advising on issues related to monetary policy and the Federal Reserve.

A native of Rhode Island, Read holds a Bachelor of Arts (BA) in English from The College of the Holy Cross. She received a Juris Doctor (JD) from Roger Williams University School of Law. Read is licensed to practice law in Rhode Island, Massachusetts and New York.

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