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## **Chris Maneval Joins Porterfield, Fettig & Sears, LLC**

### ***Seasoned Hill Veteran Brings Over 13 Years of Policy, Political and Congressional Leadership Experience to the Firm***

**Washington, D.C.** – Porterfield, Fettig & Sears, LLC (PFS), a leading bipartisan government relations firm, announced today that Chris Maneval is joining the firm as Vice President. Maneval’s excellent reputation among Members of Congress and colleagues on both sides of the aisle demonstrates his ability to solve problems and navigate Capitol Hill in the most challenging environments.

“Chris knows the people, the policy and the process of Washington policymaking,” said Lendell Porterfield, CEO of PFS. “His integrity and interpersonal skills will ensure his success in the private sector and provide an immediate positive impact for PFS and our clients.”

Prior to joining the firm, Chris was Deputy Chief of Staff to House Majority Whip Tom Emmer, the third ranking member of House Republican Leadership. He served as a senior advisor to the Whip in one of the smallest majorities in history. During his time with the Whip, Chris helped build a team of talented professionals and built relationships with Members from every corner of the Republican Conference to secure passage of historic legislation like the bipartisan Financial Innovation and Technology for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century Act, the Limit, Save, Grow Act and several appropriations bills.

“Over the last eight years, Chris has not only become a power player on Capitol Hill — he’s become a close confidant and friend,” said **Majority Whip Tom Emmer**. “His in-depth policy knowledge on a variety of complex issue areas, invaluable relationships across every spectrum of our House Republican Conference, and political acumen gained through pivotal election cycles make Chris the ultimate asset for any team. I have no doubt PFS will be well served by his leadership and wish him nothing but the best in this next chapter.”

Chris also served as Chief of Staff during Emmer’s two terms as Chair of the National Republican Congressional Committee, the campaign arm for House Republicans. In this capacity Chris gained experience with congressional campaign strategy and built extensive relationships with the corporate PAC community. He also fostered a policy agenda that made Emmer a leader in the blockchain and digital asset community and in the mental health space. Prior to becoming Chief of Staff, Chris served as Legislative Director for Representative Emmer, managing the Congressman’s Financial Services Committee and tax portfolios. In this position, he secured key legislative provisions in S. 2155, the 2017 Tax Cuts & Jobs Act, and an array of policy areas including transportation, appropriations, energy, health care, and foreign affairs.

“There has been no better teammate, coworker, or winner on behalf of Team Emmer than Chris Maneval,” said **Whip Emmer’s Chief of Staff, Robert Boland**. “I am eternally grateful for his leadership in helping navigate one of the slimmest House majorities in modern history and look forward to seeing all of the great things he accomplishes next.”

Chris holds a Bachelor of Arts degree in Political Science from West Virginia University.

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