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Prior to joining K&L Gates as partner in September 2008, for five years Mr. Crowley was chief government affairs officer at the Investment Company Institute, the national association of the mutual fund industry. Previously, Mr. Crowley was vice president and managing director, Office of Government Relations, the Nasdaq Stock Market, Inc. (NASDAQ). He joined NASDAQ after managing government relations during the spin-off of NASDAQ from its former parent, the National Association of Securities Dealers, Inc. (NASD, n/k/a FINRA). Before joining NASD as vice president, Governmental Affairs, Mr. Crowley served as general counsel, Office of Speaker Newt Gingrich; general counsel, Committee on House Oversight (Bill Thomas, *Chairman*); and minority counsel, Committee on House Administration (Bill Thomas, *Ranking Member*). Crowley began his career as counsel to the Montgomery County delegation to the Maryland State Senate.

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Based in Washington, D.C., Karishma Shah Page is a member of K&L Gates' public policy and law practice. Ms. Page concentrates her practice on federal legislative and regulatory policy, focusing on tax, financial services, health care, retirement, and employee benefits issues. Ms. Page has extensive experience working on a variety of legislation, such as the Tax Cuts and Jobs Act, the Protecting Americans from Tax Hikes Act, the Dodd-Frank Wall Street Reform and Consumer Protection Act, and the Affordable Care Act. She also works on related rulemaking and regulatory activity. Ms. Page develops and implements a variety of advocacy strategies to advance client objectives, both from a Congressional and administrative perspective. In particular, she leads complex, multi-faceted policy campaigns incorporating lobbying, coalitions and third-party advocates, grassroots/grasstops strategies, and traditional and new media. Additionally, she has experience building, managing, and working with coalitions.

Ms. Page counsels' clients with respect to the key legislative and regulatory developments that impact their operations. Ms. Page's clients include Fortune 500 companies, trade and member associations, and tax-exempt entities. Ms. Page also advises clients on the intersection between social responsibility initiatives and the policy debate. She closely on issues involving the House Ways and Means Committee, Senate Finance Committee, House Financial Services Committee, Senate Banking Committee, House Education and the Workforce Committee,

Senate Health, Education, Labor, and Pensions Committee, and Senate Aging Committee, as well as the Department of the Treasury, Internal Revenue Service, Department of Labor, and financial regulators.

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Bill Kirk, a partner at K&L Gates, represents clients before Congress and Executive Branch agencies with emphasis on tax, financial services, corporate and transportation and infrastructure matters. Mr. Kirk's clients include public and private entities such as major corporations and national trade associations for whom he provides policy analysis and strategic advice and engages in advocacy with the Congress and Executive Branch agencies. He also has significant experience representing emerging and middle market firms on legal and policy matters (e.g., minority and women-owned companies) and investment firms, including venture capital funds and their management teams. Mr. Kirk also advises clients on diversity and inclusion issues.

Prior to private legal practice, Mr. Kirk enjoyed a distinguished career as a Congressional staff member, including positions as an advisor to Congressman John Conyers (D-MI) and as a senior staff member of the House Ways and Means Committee including serving as Staff Director of the Committee's Oversight panel then chaired by Congressman Charles Rangel (D-NY). He serves on the steering committee of the Congressional Black Caucus Political Action Committee. Mr. Kirk is also a board member and counsel to the CBC Political Education and Leadership Institute. Mr. Kirk is a graduate of Swarthmore College (B.A.) and of Georgetown University Law Center (J.D.).