

Ball Janik LLP's COO Heather Oden Appointed to Multiple Sclerosis Society Board of Directors, Oregon and SW Washington Chapter

Ball Janik LLP is pleased to announce that Heather Oden, the firm's Chief Operating Officer, has been appointed to the Multiple Sclerosis Society Board of Directors, Oregon and SW Washington Chapter. Oden is an integral member of Ball Janik's leadership team; she oversees operations for three offices in the Pacific Northwest and the Southeast United States. Her leadership is widely regarded internally and externally among fellow C-suite executives throughout the legal industry.

"I am honored to be part of this exceptional organization. As someone with multiple sclerosis, I understand firsthand the challenges that families face," said Oden. "I'm glad to be able to contribute my experience and perspective in the continuation of building multiple sclerosis awareness, advancing research, and advocating positive change for families affected by the disease."

The Multiple Sclerosis Society was founded in 1946 by Sylvia Lawry to cure multiple sclerosis and assist those afflicted with the disease. Over the accompanying 76-years, the society has spearheaded cutting-edge medical research and advancement, community outreach programs, political advocacy, facilitating professional education, and providing programs and services that empower people, and their families, with multiple sclerosis. The Oregon SW Washington Chapter serves more than 8,000 individuals with multiple sclerosis and their families in the area. For more information visit www.nationalmssociety.org.

As the firm's Chief Operating Officer, Oden oversees the full gamut of the firm's business operations – Finance and Accounting, Marketing, Facilities, IT, and HR. She sits on the firm's Management Committee and Compensation Committee, and her overarching goal is to maximize the value and profitability of the firm. Oden is also a member of the Association of Legal Administrators, the Society for Human Resource Management, and the Corporate Legal Operations Consortium. Oden has a Bachelor of Science from Virginia Commonwealth University.

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Since our firm's inception, we have expanded our capabilities, professionals, and geographic footprint. In doing so, we have earned a national reputation for upholding the rights of our clients.

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