## Brown Rudnick Expands Tax Group With Addition of Partner Barbara Klepper

WASHINGTON, D.C. — October 4, 2021 — Brown Rudnick LLP announced the addition of Barbara Klepper as a Partner in the Tax Practice Group, within the Corporate and Capital Markets Department, adding to the deep bench of lawyers with experience handling highly complex transactions.

Klepper joins from McAfee & Taft where she was a shareholder in the Employee Benefits and Executive Compensation group. Her practice encompasses all aspects of executive compensation, employee benefits planning, and related tax matters. She counsels clients navigating such issues related to mergers and acquisitions and regularly advises on post-closing benefits structuring, Section 409A and 280G issues, deferred compensation plans, severance and executive employment contracts.

"Barbara's strong track record dealing with nuanced executive compensation and benefits matters complements our team, and our clients will benefit greatly from her insight" said Vince Guglielmotti, Managing Director of the Corporate and Capital Markets Department. "Her experience counseling public and private clients in transactions across a broad range of industries further enhances the service we offer. We're thrilled to welcome Barbara to the firm."

Klepper has experience representing clients of all types and sizes. She has worked across a variety of industries, including energy, food, healthcare, private equity, and technology, and represents both owners and entities in negotiating terms of complex transactions. She also assists charitable organizations and private foundations in handling

regulatory requirements necessary to maintain tax-exempt status. She has represented clients before the U.S. Department of Labor and the IRS on benefits and tax matters.

"Barbara will be a tremendous asset to our robust Tax Practice and will further propel Brown Rudnick in servicing our clients in an ever-changing business and regulatory environment," said Nicole Bouchard, Practice Group Leader of the Tax Practice Group.

Brown Rudnick's Tax Practice Group consists of committed lawyers who deeply understand the industries they serve and their market realities. The team views complex tax issues as key opportunities to position clients for success. Klepper will join a deep roster of experienced professionals with diverse backgrounds.

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