Gardere Partner Michelle Schulz Named Co-Chair of Firm's International Practice

Partner **Michelle Schulz** has been named co-chair of **Gardere Wynne Sewell LLP**'s **international practice**, effective immediately. She will lead the group alongside co-chair and partner **Charles E. Meacham** in Houston.

Since joining Gardere in December 2013, Schulz has served as co-chair of the Firm's international trade group and has been instrumental in its success. She will continue in that role in addition to serving as co-chair of the international practice. In her new role, Schulz will work with Mr. Meacham to further integrate Gardere's diverse international practice areas and design end-to-end solutions for international business expansion. In addition, Schulz will facilitate collaboration among the Firm's international groups in the U.S. and Mexico on matters, including energy, infrastructure, international dispute resolution, corporate, tax, transportation and trade. She also will cultivate the Firm's broad international network of trusted attorneys and advisors across Africa, Asia, Europe, Latin America and the Middle East.

"Having served as co-chair of Gardere's international trade group, Michelle is well-known throughout the Firm and in the industry for both her leadership and legal expertise," says Meacham. "Her depth of experience will be a great benefit to the international team and to its clients, and I look forward to partnering with her."

"Charlie has been highly influential in the international practice's ongoing success, and it is an honor to join him as a leader of this prestigious group," says Schulz. "Gardere's international attorneys are among the most respected in their

field, and I am privileged to collaborate with this group on opportunities to further enhance our presence in the global marketplace.”

With more than 15 years of experience representing clients in international trade, including over 10 years as a founding partner of a trade boutique, Schulz provides an entrepreneurial spirit and innovative ideas for international growth. She represents Fortune 500 companies, large defense and aerospace contractors, manufacturers, and oil and gas companies in international trade compliance and enforcement matters, including U.S. government investigations, internal audits, disclosures, licensing, and counseling on international trade regulations governing exports and imports.