## Greensfelder Officer Kathy Butler Named to Leadership Council of New Meritas Women's Initiative



Greensfelder, Hemker & Gale, P.C., is pleased to announce that Kathy H. Butler, an Officer and leader of the firm's Health Care practice and industry groups, has been named to the leadership group for a new women's initiative launched by global law firms network Meritas.

Greensfelder President and Chief Executive Officer Kevin T. McLaughlin said, "We congratulate Kathy on her new leadership role and her continued support of the mission of Meritas and its commitment to diverse representation in the legal community."

Butler is one of 10 members of the Meritas Women's Leadership Congress Leadership Council whose mission is to create a path to leadership for the women of Meritas by providing more visibility and engagement opportunities through knowledge-sharing, mentoring and skills-building. The group will boost interactions among member firms to promote diversity and inclusion as an important part of recruiting and retention, business development, and the elevation of women leaders.

Butler has been an active leader within Meritas for many years, most recently serving as chair of the organization's U.S. Leadership Committee. She also has served on the network's board of directors and the board's executive committee.

Butler is one of Greensfelder's primary liaisons to Meritas, of which the firm is a longtime member and the exclusive

Meritas law firm in the St. Louis metropolitan area. Greensfelder's membership offers the firm's clients access to the experience and legal knowledge of the nearly 200 business law firms in 90 countries worldwide that belong to Meritas.

Butler is the second Greensfelder attorney this year to be selected to help lead new Meritas initiatives on diversity and inclusion. Greensfelder Chief Diversity Officer Christopher A. Pickett recently was named to the Leadership Council for the newly formed Meritas Black Lawyers Forum.