Lathrop GPM Welcomes Two Attorneys, Expanding Trusts, Estates & Legacy Planning Practice in Denver

DENVER (December 2, 2021) – Lathrop GPM announced today the addition of two Trusts & Estates attorneys, Tom Rodriguez and Casey Breese, along with paralegal, Kathleen Dunlap, in the firm's Denver office, further establishing the Trusts, Estates, & Legacy Planning Practice Group in the region and enhancing its national capabilities. All three represent clients in trusts & estates litigation, joining Lathrop GPM Denver Partner Alison Zinn, who focuses her practice exclusively in the area of trusts & estates litigation and leads the firm's Trusts & Estates Litigation team.

Rodriguez joins as Counsel, bringing over 20 years of experience practicing in the Denver market, most recently with boutique Vincent, Romeo & Rodriguez, LLC. His practice focuses on probate litigation, including contested guardianships and conservatorships, fiduciary representation and other will and trust litigation. Rodriguez has been a Fellow to the American College of Trust and Estates Counsel (ACTEC) for almost a decade and is a previous co-chair of the Elder Law Section of the Colorado Bar.

"Tom brings to Lathrop GPM an impressive background in trusts and estates litigation and an established practice and reputation for excellence in Colorado," said Patrick McRorie, Partner in Charge of the firm's Denver office. "We are thrilled that Tom chose to bring that expertise and client base to Lathrop GPM."

Breese, who started his legal career at Lathrop GPM, returns

as an Associate. He joined the firm on November 8 from Welborn Sullivan Meck & Tooley, and previously Steptoe & Johnson, where he established his litigation practice in Denver. He is looking forward to focusing his litigation practice on contested trusts, estates, guardianships and conservatorships.

"Our team is dedicated to representing fiduciaries and beneficiaries in disputes related to wealth distribution and the administration of trusts and estates. An increasing number of people and companies need representation from attorneys who truly understand the details of trusts and estates when disputes arise – or even when they are percolating," said Marya Robben, Chair of the firm's Trusts, Estates, & Legacy Planning Practice Group. "We are thrilled to add Tom, Casey and Kathleen to our strong national team in Trusts and Estates Litigation to be able to serve more clients with needs in this area."

Rodriguez joins the firm on November 30, along with Kathleen Dunlap, an experienced paralegal in the areas of probate, estate planning, and litigation who also served clients from Vincent, Romeo & Rodriguez.

Rodriguez earned his J.D. from Emory University School of Law and his B.A. from Hardin-Simmons University. Breese earned his J.D. from Washington University School of Law and his B.S. from Missouri State University. Dunlap earned her B.A. from University of Arizona.