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Former GAO Bid Protest Attorney Joins Crowell & Moring

Washington, D.C. — July 30, 2019: Eric M. Ransom, a former attorney with the U.S. Government Accountability Office Procurement Law Division and a former attorney with the U.S. Senate Committee on Rules and Administration, has joined Crowell & Moring as senior counsel in its Government Contracts Group where he will advise clients on government procurement laws, regulations, and best practices.

“Eric is a recognized voice of authority on how the complex government procurement process works,” said Philip T. Inglima, chair of the firm. “Eric’s experience at the GAO and the Senate Rules Committee will help us deliver the highest level of service to our clients.”

Ransom spent more than a decade at the GAO, where he served as deputy assistant general counsel and as a senior bid protest hearing officer in the Procurement Law Division. Ransom presided over many high-profile bid protests filed at the GAO, including protests concerning the U.S. Air Force B-21 Stealth Bomber Program; NASA Commercial Crew Transportation Capability Program; and protests of other Major Defense Acquisition Programs and classified procurement programs. He resolved more than 750 bid protests at GAO and was responsible for more than 125 published legal decisions. He has extensive experience in matters of government contract formation and bid protest litigation, and can provide unique insight into the full range of legal issues surrounding the award or proposed award of a government contract, or the terms of a solicitation. Ransom is also experienced in matters involving the Procurement Integrity Act, the Service Contract Act, classified procurements, contract claims, congressional investigations, and related considerations.

In his most recent role on the Senate Rules Committee, Ransom advised on federal procurement laws, regulations, and best practices. He also drove improvements in the Senate’s internal procurement systems and led committee oversight on legislative branch contracting issues, including management of data privacy concerns in Senate software contracts, and the termination and recompetition of the Government Publishing Office’s \$61-million contract for printing the 2020 U.S. Census.

“Eric is an exciting addition to our bid protest team,” said Daniel R. Forman, co-chair of the firm’s Government Contracts Group, which has repeatedly been recognized by *Chambers USA* as a tier-one practice and named by *Law360* as a “Practice Groups of the Year.” “Eric’s GAO experience, industry reputation, and ability to handle classified protests will benefit our clients and deepen our robust practice.”

“I am excited to start a new chapter of my career at a firm recognized for its knowledge of how Washington works and its excellence in client service in the government contracts arena,” Ransom said. “Crowell & Moring has one of the largest and most respected government contracts group in the world. It is an honor to join such a prestigious firm.”

Ransom earned his law degree from the University of Maryland and his undergraduate degree from The George Washington University. Ransom is licensed to practice law in Maryland. He is practicing under the supervision of DC bar members.

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