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**CROWELL & MORING'S KAREN HERMANN NAMED A FELLOW OF THE
LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ON LEGAL DIVERSITY**

Washington, D.C. – February 23, 2015: Crowell & Moring LLP is proud to announce that Karen Hermann, a Washington D.C.-based partner in the firm's Corporate Group, has been selected for the 2015 Fellows Program of the Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD), a national organization comprised of the legal profession's top general counsels and managing partners. Hermann joins a select group of experienced attorneys from diverse backgrounds who have been recognized for their potential as leaders in their organizations. She is the fourth Crowell & Moring attorney that has been selected for this program.

"We are committed to supporting and engaging in the LCLD Fellows Program and are excited that Karen will participate in the dynamic and meaningful program this year," said Crowell & Moring managing partner Ellen M. Dwyer, who is a member of the LCLD Board of Directors. "She is an excellent representative for the firm in a class of outstanding legal talent that will be the legal industry's next generation of leaders."

As fellows, Karen and her colleagues will participate in a program that includes in-person conferences, training in the fine points of legal practice, peer-group projects to foster collaboration and build relationships, and extensive contact with LCLD's top leadership. This level of extensive engagement with attorneys at every career stage goes a long way towards building a successful future as an attorney.

Hermann, who earned her J.D. from The George Washington University Law School, focuses her practice on mergers and acquisitions, carve-out transactions, joint ventures and strategic alliances. Her clients span a variety of industries, with a particular emphasis on defense contractors, software vendors, service providers, healthcare companies, financial services companies, and startup and emerging businesses. Additionally, she has an active *pro bono* practice, representing clients in affirmative and defensive asylum proceedings. She also co-led a team of Crowell & Moring attorneys who, along with Legal Counsel for the Elderly and the AT-HOME Coalition, worked with the D.C. City Council to adopt significant reforms to the District of Columbia's troubled tax sale liens program. The collaborative effort led to a front-page investigative series by *The Washington Post* and successful reforms have been implemented to the city's tax lien sales process.

Founded in 2009, LCLD is a growing organization of more than 200 corporate chief legal officers and law firm managing partners who are personally committed to creating a truly diverse legal profession. The LCLD Fellows program, which has trained more than 600 mid-career attorneys since 2011, is one of LCLD's most important initiatives. Crowell & Moring's participants in the program for the past three years, respectively, include: San Francisco-based Antitrust partner Beatrice Nguyen; Washington, D.C.-based Intellectual Property partner Brian Koide; and Washington-D.C.-based Antitrust counsel Astor Heaven. For more information, visit www.lclldnet.org.

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