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## Leila Vaughan Rejoins Faegre Drinker as Investment Management Partner in Philadelphia

**Philadelphia** — Nov. 14, 2022 — <u>Faegre Drinker</u> announced today that <u>Leila Vaughan</u> has rejoined the firm as a partner in the investment management practice group in Philadelphia. Vaughan comes to the firm from Royer Cooper Cohen Braunfeld.

Vaughan is the fourth partner to join the firm's investment management group in 2022, following Tiffany Reeves, Dee Anne Sjögren and Mark Weakley, who joined in May and August, respectively.

A forward-thinking tax attorney, Vaughan will guide clients through complex matters as part of the investment management group. She offers advice on investment tax matters, especially relating to private equity, regulated investment companies, hedge funds, lending funds and real estate investment funds. In particular, Vaughan assists investment management clients with the tax aspects of fund structure, fund formation, portfolio investments, regulated investment company compliance, mergers and liquidations.

"Leila brings sophisticated tax experience to the team and we are excited to welcome her back to the firm," said investment management practice leader <u>Joshua Deringer</u>. Vaughan was formerly with Drinker Biddle from 2006-2011, where she served as a tax associate in the Philadelphia office. "She will be an excellent resource for our clients and practice group, especially with her knowledge of regulated investment company formation, transactions and counseling."

Vaughan also has experience with mergers and acquisitions, tax-free reorganizations and spinoffs, nonprofits and qualified opportunity funds. When she was formerly a tax associate at the firm, she assisted clients relating to the taxation of mutual funds and hedge funds and provided tax advice to investment company clients in connection with reorganizations, liquidations and disclosures.

"Leila is a creative investment tax planning professional, a tireless advocate for protecting clients' interests and a recognized leader in nonprofit law," said <u>Dan Aiken</u>, office leader of the firm's Philadelphia office. "We are thrilled to have her rejoin the firm."

Vaughan earned her bachelor's degree from Duke University, her Juris Doctor from the University of Pennsylvania Law School and her Master of Laws in Taxation from the New York University.

Faegre Drinker's investment management practice helps clients solve complex regulatory and structural challenges — with an eye to mitigating operational and regulatory risk. We advise national and multinational registered and private funds and their sponsors, investment advisers, broker-dealers and other institutional market participants on business formation and growth. The group draws on deep in-house and industry experience to understand client businesses — and business objectives — and develop bespoke solutions that are practical and forward-thinking.

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