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Katten Adds Environmental and White Collar Criminal Defense Teams to Washington Office

*Former top federal environmental prosecutor and established white collar litigator join firm;
Washington office to become hub of environmental litigation for firm*

WASHINGTON, D.C. – Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce the continued strategic growth of its Washington office with the addition of practice teams consisting of four attorneys, including three partners, who previously practiced in the Washington office of Hunton & Williams LLP. **Steven P. Solow**, former Chief of the Environmental Crimes Section at the U.S. Department of Justice, joins Katten as chair of the firm's Environmental Litigation Practice. **Whitney C. Ellerman**, an established white collar criminal defense litigator and former Assistant United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, will co-chair the Washington office's White Collar Criminal and Civil Litigation and Compliance Practice with Mr. Solow. Joining them from Hunton are partner **Karl R. Heisler** and associate **Kristine A. Rembach**.

"The addition of Whit and Steve's group reflects our plan of firmwide strategic growth in the areas of environmental litigation, white collar defense, complex case litigation, internal investigations and compliance counseling," said Roger Furey, Managing Partner of Katten's Washington office. "We are now ideally positioned to provide our clients with tremendous assets as they face new challenges in the areas of government regulation and enforcement."

Mr. Solow, Mr. Ellerman and Mr. Heisler have represented a wide array of Fortune 500 clients in the chemical, energy, finance, utility, homebuilding, construction, pipeline, shipping and technology industries, as well as individuals, including high-ranking public officials and corporate executives, in connection with state and federal government investigations and prosecutions. Together they have conducted numerous internal investigations into alleged corporate misconduct and have counseled clients in the design and implementation of corporate compliance and ethics programs, including those related to the Foreign Corrupt Practices Act, those contemplated by the U.S. Sentencing Guidelines, and those targeting compliance with state and federal environmental and worker safety regimes.

"We have developed a collective approach to client service that fits seamlessly into the Katten approach," said Mr. Solow. Mr. Ellerman added, "We were drawn to Katten's strong white collar practice in Chicago and its reputation for focused and effective representation and advocacy for its clients."

Mr. Ellerman is Chair of the Advisory Committee on Admissions and Grievances of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the D.C. Circuit. He was also co-chair of the ABA White Collar Crime Committee's

Subcommittee on Financial Institution Fraud/Money Laundering and Patriot Act. Mr. Solow is widely known as both a practitioner and as a scholar of environmental law and litigation, having taught in several of the nation's top environmental law and clinical programs and having published numerous articles on environmental law and white collar issues.

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