Three Attorneys Join Lathrop GPM St. Louis Office

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New trademark/copyright capabilities in St. Louis; expanded trust & estate team

ST LOUIS (May 2022) - Lathrop GPM is pleased to welcome Counsel Abigail Zeller to the firm's Intellectual Property Practice Group and Counsel Robynn Ragland and Associate Jaime Curry to the firm's Trusts, Estates & Legacy Planning Practice Group this month. All three attorneys are based in the firm's St. Louis office

Zeller focuses her practice on trademark and copyright matters, providing strategic counsel regarding global trademark portfolio management and opposition and cancellation proceedings before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board. Prior to joining the firm, she practiced at firms in St. Louis and New Hampshire. Zeller earned her J.D., *cum laude*, from the University of New Hampshire School of Law in 2016 and B.S., *cum laude*, from Missouri State University in 2010.

"Abigail brings a wealth of experience in managing and enforcing global trademark and copyright portfolios for clients across many industries," said Kate Tompkins, Intellectual Property Practice Group Leader. "With Abigail at the firm we now have a dedicated IP attorney in our St. Louis office, expanding our ability to service clients in the region."

Ragland advises individuals, families, business organizations, closely held businesses, private foundations, charitable/nonprofit organizations, and multigenerational and high net worth clients on trusts and estate planning matters, including wills, powers of attorney, health care directives, revocable trusts, irrevocable trusts, probate and trust administration, estate and gift tax, fiduciary responsibility and compliance, business succession planning, wealth transfer, legacy planning, charitable gift planning, trust modification, and "family office" style coordination of client advisors and fiduciaries. She has over 20 years of estate and wealth planning experience, practicing at other St. Louis firms. Ragland is President-Elect and Board Member of the Estate Planning Council of St. Louis. She earned her J.D. from Washington University School of Law in 1995 and B.A. from California Polytechnic State University in 1992.

Curry helps individuals, families, and business owners navigate their estate and tax planning matters, including developing the estate plan and drafting and developing trusts, wills, and powers of attorney. She

has experience in the preparation of both estate and gift tax returns, as well as advising closely held businesses on business formational structure, governance, and how to protect their assets. Prior to joining Lathrop GPM, Curry worked for law firms in St. Louis and Beverly Hills, California. She earned her J.D., *cum laude*, from the Saint Louis University School of Law in 2019, and B.A. from the Indiana University in 2006. Curry will earn her LL.M. later this year from Washington University School of Law.

"Robynn and Jaime are exciting additions to the team," said Marya Robben, Trust, Estates & Legacy Planning Practice Group Leader. "Robynn brings a range of experience to clients and is an active leader in the St. Louis community. And Jaime brings valuable insight to clients at all stages in the estate planning process."

"I am delighted that Abigail, Robynn, and Jaime have joined the St. Louis team," said Emily Cantwell, Partner in Charge of the St. Louis office. "They bring additional experience and strength to the intellectual property and trusts and estates teams both locally and throughout the firm."