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Adrienne Ramsay Joins Baker Donelson as Senior Advisor

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Baker Donelson announces the addition of Adrienne Ramsay to the Firm's Washington, D.C. office.

Ms. Ramsay joins as a senior advisor in Baker Donelson's Government Relations and Public Policy Group, with a concentration in the aerospace, defense, and intelligence community sectors. Prior to joining Baker Donelson, she was a Professional Staff Member on the House of Representatives Appropriations Subcommittee on Defense. Her portfolio on the Defense Subcommittee included Department of Defense and Intelligence Community Space and Cyber programs, Special Operations Command (SOCOM), the Central Intelligence Agency (CIA), the National Security Agency (NSA), and the National Reconnaissance Office (NRO). She also provided oversight to the Navy and Marine Corps Operation and Maintenance accounts, including funding for training; steaming and flying hours; and depot maintenance for ships, aircraft and vehicles, and the Department of Defense Working Capital Funds, which included purchases of fuel and other services for the Services. Ms. Ramsay continues to maintain active United States Government security clearances at the Top Secret/Special Compartmented Information level.

"Adrienne brings invaluable experience in working with Members and Staff of the majority and minority Staff of the Defense and Intelligence Authorization Committees of both the House and Senate," says Sheila P. Burke, chair of Baker Donelson's Government Relations and Public Policy Group. "That experience and her strong relationships with Professional Staff, as well as with Members of the Appropriations Committees of the House and Senate, position her as an excellent advocate for her clients."

Preceding her time on the Appropriations Committee, Ms. Ramsay provided technical and budgetary analysis on Department of Defense Space and Information Technology programs, Missile Defense Agency (MDA) programs, and NASA future exploration programs as a member of the Professional Staff on the House Armed Services Committee, a budget analyst at the Office of Management and Budget (OMB), and as a programs analyst at the Congressional Budget Office. While at OMB, she led the National Security Division's recommendations for the President's Management Agenda, formulated budget recommendations for the 2005 and 2006 President's Budget submissions, and worked closely with the National Security Council and Office of Science Technology and Policy on missile defense and national security space policy issues.

In 2004, Ms. Ramsay worked in Senator Patty Murray's office as a Brookings Institution Fellow serving as the Legislative Assistant for Defense and Homeland Security issues. Prior to that role, her career was comprised of architecting a range of large scale defense and intelligence systems and engineering the associated acquisition programs. She worked on classified and commercial satellite acquisitions as a systems engineer responsible for satellite-ground interfaces and developments of end-to-end architecture designs and costs. Ms. Ramsay led the engineering team that defined the requirements, architecture, and concept of operations for a hyper-spectral satellite demonstration. She led the team responsible for systems engineering associated with the National Ballistic Missile Defense architecture and led the site studies for placement and requirements for the radars and other sensors for the 'defense of the homeland' ballistic missile defense mission.