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## TUCKER ELLIS NAMES MONICA MONROE, LUDGY LAROCHELLE, AND CHARISSA WALKER TO LEADERSHIP COUNCIL ON LEGAL DIVERSITY

**Tucker Ellis LLP** has named <u>Monica Williams Monroe</u>, <u>Ludgy LaRochelle</u>, and <u>Charissa Walker</u> as members of the 2021 class of Leadership Council on Legal Diversity (LCLD).

Ms. Monroe, a partner in the San Francisco office of Tucker Ellis, has been named to the 2021 class of Fellows, where she will participate in a landmark program to identify, train, and advance the next generation of leaders in the legal profession. Fellows have distinguished themselves by being deeply engaged, indispensable to key clients and teams, invested in attorney mentoring and professional development, and on a trajectory toward leadership positions. Ms. Monroe is one of 418 new Fellows, a group of talented and diverse mid-career attorneys selected by 293 LCLD member corporations and law firms to participate in this career development program.

According to LCLD President **Robert J. Grey, Jr.**, the LCLD Fellows Program offers participants "a year-long, in-depth program devoted to relationship-building, leadership training, and extensive contact with LCLD's prestigious members and the best teachers in the business."

Mr. LaRochelle and Ms. Walker – both counsel in the firm's Cleveland office – are among the 404 attorneys named to the 2021 class of Pathfinders, a program to train high-performing early-career attorneys in critical career development strategies, including leadership and the building of professional networks. Pathfinders are identified as diverse, emerging leaders who have, or have the potential to, distinguish themselves within their organization. The Pathfinder Program provides participants with practical tools for developing and leveraging internal professional networks, foundational leadership skills, and an understanding of career development strategies. Further, each Pathfinder is matched with a Program Facilitator, a mentor who plays a key role in helping Pathfinders connect what they learn in the program to the organizations in which they work.

"We're thankful to have this opportunity to recognize Monica, Ludgy, and Charissa," said Managing Partner <u>Joe</u> <u>Morford</u>. "They're great lawyers and great people, and we know they'll make the most of their involvement in these two innovative LCLD programs."

"Monica, Ludgy, and Charissa are an excellent fit for these important LCLD initiatives," said Tucker Ellis Equity & Inclusion Chair <u>Sanford Watson</u>. "In addition to benefiting from the programs themselves, they're the type of quality individuals who will put into practice and share what they learn, ultimately making our firm stronger."

## About LCLD

Founded in 2009, LCLD is a growing organization of more than 350 corporate chief legal officers and law firm managing partners who are personally committed to creating a more diverse and inclusive legal profession. For more information, visit www.lcldnet.org.

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