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Venn Announces Firmwide Promotions

WASHINGTON, DC – Venn Strategies, a nationally recognized public affairs and government relations firm twice named among the fastest-growing private companies in the United States (the "Inc. 5000"), announced a series of promotions across the firm, reflecting Venn's continued growth and commitment to developing leadership across its team.

The firm promoted **Claire Onyechi** and **Elise Tollefson** to Senior Vice President in recognition of their leadership, policy expertise, and longstanding contributions to clients and teams.

- **Claire Onyechi** supports the firm's healthcare practice, where she leads the Direct Outreach Team and brings extensive experience in coalition building and advocacy strategy development. Before joining Venn, Claire served as associate director for the Democratic Steering and Outreach Committee, supporting the Committee for Senate Democratic Leader Chuck Schumer (D-NY) and former Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid (D-NV). Claire also served as a field organizer for the Alaska Democratic Party and worked at the U.S. Department of State.
- **Elise Tollefson** supports Venn's tax, trade, finance and health care practices, bringing more than 13 years of experience in tax and health policy. Before joining Venn, Elise served as legislative director for former Representative Tom Reed (R-NY), a senior member of the Ways & Means Committee, where she led the tax and healthcare portfolio. She previously held the same position for former Rep. Randy Hultgren (R-IL).

The firm also announced promotions within its operations department, recognizing team members who help ensure the firm runs efficiently as it continues to grow. **Denise Dimapilis** and **Adrienne Hallums** were promoted to Operations Associates, supporting firm-wide operations and internal processes. Denise previously worked with Chemonics International's East and Southern Africa division, while Adrienne brings prior experience as an operations coordinator at Centurion.

"Our success is driven by the people behind the work," said Stephanie Silverman, founder and CEO of Venn Strategies. "These promotions recognize the dedication, leadership, and results our team delivers every day, and we're excited to support their continued growth as they take on new challenges and opportunities."

About Venn Strategies

Twice recognized among the fastest-growing private companies in the United States, Venn Strategies is a full-service, bipartisan government relations, and public affairs firm. The firm's expertise lies in matters of economic policy, health care, critical infrastructure and oversight, and investigations, offering clients a wide range of deliverables in advocacy, issue management, coalition management, and strategic advisory services from former top aides in the White House, Congress, leading industry advocacy groups and Fortune 500 corporations. Visit http://www.vennstrategies.com for more information.