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David B. Singer to Lead Land Use and Zoning Practice at Shumaker

TAMPA, FL – Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP, a full service American Lawyer 200 law firm and the largest law firm in the Tampa Bay region based on number of attorneys in the area, is pleased to announce the expansion of its Land Use and Zoning practice team with the addition of seasoned attorneys David B. Singer and Matt Newton to the firm.

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The Tampa Bay region is experiencing substantial real estate growth right now, and this is the perfect opportunity for Shumaker to bolster its leading real estate and land use practice," said Mark Catchur, Managing Partner of the Tampa office. "Not only are David and Matt well versed in the major issues facing developers, land owners and municipalities across the Tampa Bay region, but they have been key figures in obtaining redevelopment and rezoning approvals for some of this region's most high-profile developments." He added, "We are excited to add these talented attorneys with their depth of expertise to our Land Use and Zoning practice which David will lead on a go-forward basis. David's significant Land Use and Zoning experience as well as his experience working with a range of stakeholders, including elected officials, municipal staff, and community members, will be invaluable to our clients." Mr. Catchur continued, "With David and Matt joining us we continue to grow signature practice groups and expand our capabilities to better serve our clients' ever changing needs."

David B. Singer works with clients seeking to do business both in the private and public sectors and counsels clients on the proper strategies for successful interactions with city and county government agencies and officials. He represents clients before city and county entities on a wide range of issues, including zoning, land use, comprehensive planning, economic incentive eligibility, developments of regional impact, permitting issues and issues relating to elections and election law. David also works with clients seeking to obtain alcohol beverage licenses in Florida on both the licensing and zoning components. David earned his J.D. from the University of Michigan Law School and his B.A. in Political Science from the University of Michigan.

David commented, "I am very excited to join this wonderful firm and to lead the Land Use and Zoning

Practice. To be practicing on such a strong and well supported platform will enable us to offer our clients more services and increased value. Further, the firm emphasizes and encourages a collaborative, resultsdriven spirit among its attorneys. This is a particularly important trait for effectively managing the interests of multiple parties involved in land use matters which often call for creative solutions. And, having worked with some of the firm's attorneys over the years, I knew firsthand just how innovative and established Shumaker is as a firm."

Matt Newton has guided clients through numerous complex land use and zoning challenges, structured creative legal strategies for both new and growing businesses, and has resolved a wide variety of legal disputes through both traditional litigation and alternative strategies. Matt's experience also extends to state and local election and political law, including campaign compliance and recount navigation. Matt has additionally worked on civil rights matters through his diverse pro bono work, and has provided commentary on legal controversies in the media. Matt received his J.D. from Stetson University College of Law and his B.A. in Classical Studies from New College of Florida.

About Shumaker's Land Use and Zoning Practice:

Shumaker represents clients in all stages of land development, from land acquisition due diligence through final project approval and construction. Our lawyers possess the experience and knowledge to help clients navigate through the maze of local, regional and state approvals that may be required for industrial, commercial, residential, and mixed use land developments.

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Founded in 1925, Shumaker, Loop & Kendrick, LLP is a full-service law firm with more than 260 lawyers and seven offices in Toledo and Columbus, Ohio; Tampa and Sarasota, Florida; Charleston, South Carolina; Charlotte, North Carolina and Bloomfield Hills, Michigan. Shumaker is a premier provider of quality legal services. Whether it's commitment to clients or work in the community, involvement lies at the core of all of Shumaker's initiatives.

