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Troutman Pepper Partner Chad Warpula to Serve as Interim General Counsel for Chico's

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CHARLOTTE, N.C. – [Chad Warpula](#), a partner in Troutman Pepper's Charlotte office, has been selected to serve as interim General Counsel for publicly-held Chico's FAS, Inc. (NYSE: CHS) while the international retailer identifies a candidate to replace its former legal department leader. Warpula will remain a full-time, active partner at Troutman Pepper as he aids this important client in its transition.

Warpula is no stranger to the General Counsel role. He served for five years as the General Counsel and Executive of Dale Earnhardt, Inc., the iconic and leading brand in the motorsports industry. He also recently served as American Tire Distributors' interim General Counsel and Chief Compliance Officer for almost a year as the largest independent tire distributor searched for a replacement legal executive, all while maintaining his full-time practice at the firm. Troutman Pepper attorneys often partner with clients to fill such critical positions, serving in temporary leadership roles during searches and easing transition periods.

"Because Troutman Pepper has such a deep bench across the country, we can step in as client needs arise," Warpula said. "We take great pride in being true extensions of our clients' teams, and I am honored to be trusted with this important responsibility for a valued client."

At Troutman Pepper, Warpula's diversified practice includes corporate, private equity, securities, M&A, joint venture, commercial contracting, intellectual property, technology, licensing, sponsorship, sports and entertainment, franchise, and dispute resolution matters. He represents a wide range of public and private clients in all types of transactions and disciplines. His breadth of experience, solution driven approach, proven team leadership, board level involvement and ability to get the job done (or in this case, two jobs at once) enable him to provide this unique support to the great clients of the firm.

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