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Two Troutman Pepper Partners Recognized as Leaders in Law by the San Diego Business Journal

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SAN DIEGO –Troutman Pepper partners Wynter Deagle and Michael Whitton have been recognized by the *San Diego Business Journal* as Leaders in Law for their work in cybersecurity and real estate, respectively. The award honors "outstanding legal professionals" who have left a positive impact on the San Diego community and continue to give back through service and participation in local organizations.

Deagle, managing partner of the firm's San Diego office and a partner in its Business Litigation Practice Group, represents businesses in the courtroom when they face issues found at the intersection of law, technology, and innovation. A Certified Information Privacy Professional and experienced trial lawyer, Deagle specializes in defending clients from privacy and cybersecurity-related consumer class actions, business disputes, regulatory investigations, and enforcement actions. In addition to her privacy and cybersecurity expertise, Deagle represents clients in complex commercial litigation. Outside of litigation, Deagle partners with businesses to respond to data security incidents and roll out tech and data-driven products and services, while complying with the conflicting maze of privacy and data security laws and avoiding litigation.

Deagle is passionate advocate for diversity, equity and inclusion in the legal and business communities. She is a member of Troutman Pepper's Diversity Committee and founded the San Diego office's diverse attorney recruiting program. Deagle is also President of the Board of Directors of Girls Inc. of San Diego County and probono counsel to SunLaw.

Whitton is a partner in Troutman Pepper's Real Estate Practice Group and has a national reputation as a go-to attorney in transactions involving marinas, hotels and other resort properties in the hospitality sector. A large part of his work involves buying, selling, developing and financing golf courses and country clubs throughout the country. Many of Whitton's clients call on him to supervise their most complex litigation matters. He builds effective and efficient teams, manages cases and budgets, participates in trials and, as needed, develops settlement strategies and leads mediation and settlement conferences. He previously served as San Diego managing partner and in several executive leadership positions within the firm.

In addition to his real estate practice, Whitton is very involved in the San Diego community and was recently elected chairman of the Board of Trustees for California Western School of Law. He is also a member of the Board of Directors and Chair of the Endowment Committee for St. Augustine High School, a local all-boys Catholic high school.

Deagle and Whitton were featured in the November 16 issue of the *San Diego Business Journal* for their professional success and leadership within the San Diego community. Monique Lashbrook, a partner in Troutman Pepper's Real Estate Practice Group was also recognized as a Leaders in Law finalist. Lashbrook's practice focuses on real estate, corporate and commercial real estate financing matters and transactions.

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