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**CHRISTINA M. DEATS APPOINTED TO THE AMERICAN HEART ASSOCIATION
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Rochester, New York, January 27, 2022 – Harter Secrest & Emery LLP, a full-service business law firm with offices throughout New York, announced that Christina M. Deats, counsel in the firm’s Litigation practice, has been appointed to serve on the American Heart Association Rochester Chapter Board of Directors.

Founded in 1924, the American Heart Association is the world’s leading nonprofit organization devoted to a world of healthier lives for all, and saving people from heart disease and stroke — the two leading causes of death in the world. Through collaboration with numerous organizations, and powered by millions of volunteers, it funds innovative research, advocates for the public’s health, and shares lifesaving resources.

Deats represents companies and individuals in all phases of litigation, from pretrial matters through trial and appeal, in New York state and federal courts and before arbitration tribunals. She has extensive experience leading litigation matters and efficiently resolving complex disputes in a broad range of specialties, including health care, building and construction, and tort/premises liability defense.

Deats received her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from the University at Buffalo School of Law and her B.A. from Cornell University.

Harter Secrest & Emery’s litigation attorneys represent clients on a wide range of matters, including, among other areas, high-stakes commercial disputes, intellectual property litigation, insurance-coverage disputes, employment and ERISA litigation, privacy and data security matters, government investigations, professional liability claims, construction disputes, and securities litigation. Harter Secrest

& Emery's litigation practice received a top-tier ranking from *Chambers USA*, and eight of its litigators are individually recognized by *Chambers USA*.

About Harter Secrest & Emery LLP

Harter Secrest & Emery LLP is a full-service business law firm providing legal services to clients ranging from individuals and family-owned businesses to Fortune 100 companies and major regional institutions. With offices in Buffalo, Rochester, Albany, Corning, and New York City, New York, the firm is a recognized leader in litigation, corporate, employee benefits, environmental and land use, health care, higher education, immigration, intellectual property, labor and employment, real estate, and trusts and estates law. Harter Secrest & Emery has 38 *U.S. News - Best Lawyers*[®] 2022 "Best Law Firms" top tier metropolitan practice group rankings—more Western New York rankings than any other law firm. The firm has been honored by *Chambers USA* for Corporate/M&A, Environment, Labor & Employment, Litigation, Immigration, and Real Estate law and 47 attorneys are recognized as *The Best Lawyers in America*[®] for 2022. For more information visit www.hselaw.com.

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