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JOHN M. JENNINGS PROMOTED TO COUNSEL AT HARTER SECREST & EMERY

Rochester, New York, February 20, 2017 – Harter Secret & Emery LLP, a full-service business law firm with offices throughout New York, announced that [John M. Jennings](#) has been promoted to Counsel.

A member of the firm's [Government Affairs](#) practice, Jennings represents and counsels entities with regard to their interactions with New York State government. In particular, he has developed significant experience in the biotechnology, energy and infrastructure, and higher education industries. He analyzes and monitors pending legislation to help clients understand the potential impact on their organization, and he strategizes with clients on how best to communicate their position to members of the Legislature, state agencies and the Governor's office. Jennings also works with the firm's [Government Investigations](#) practice group to counsel clients with government compliance issues, including procurement regulations and campaign finance laws.

Jennings joined Harter Secret & Emery in 2003, and most recently served as a senior associate. He is a *magna cum laude* graduate of Roberts Wesleyan College, and received his law degree, *magna cum laude*, from the University at Buffalo Law School. In 2009, he received the G.O.L.D. Award (Graduate of the Last Decade) from Roberts Wesleyan College for professional excellence, community involvement, active participation in the ongoing work of the school, and maintenance of a lifestyle that's in harmony with the spirit and philosophy of the college.

In addition to his legal practice, Jennings is an adjunct professor of Political Science at Roberts Wesleyan and serves on the college's Executive Advisory Board, and is a member of the American Bar Association Government Affairs Professionals Committee, the Cameron Community Ministries Board of Directors, and a volunteer for the Veterans Outreach Center.

The [Government Affairs](#) practice at Harter Secret & Emery monitors and often affects the progress of proposed legislation or regulations through its strategic involvement. The firm's attorneys arrange for the introduction of bills, track the progress of proposed regulations, and lobby to secure or modify legislation and administrative action on behalf of clients. The practice also consults with clients

regarding the availability of, and access to, a variety of government funding mechanisms and other programs.

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, healthcare, higher education, immigration, intellectual property, labor and employment, real estate, and trusts and estate law. Harter Secrest & Emery has 33 *U.S. News - Best Lawyers* 2017 “Best Law Firms” top tier practice group rankings - more Western New York rankings than any other law firm. The firm has been top ranked in *Chambers USA* for Corporate/M&A, Litigation and Immigration law and 43 attorneys are recognized as *The Best Lawyers in America* in 2017. For more information visit www.hselaw.com.

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