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TANYA LOMBARD JOINS JOHNSON, MADIGAN, PECK BIPARTISAN LOBBYING TEAM

Lombard “has proven to be an effective, skilled and compassionate advocate. I’m sure she will bring the same commitment to her new role....”

House Majority Whip James E. Clyburn (D-SC)

(Washington, D.C) --- Further bolstering its strength with Democrats at the federal, state and local levels, Johnson, Madigan, Peck, Boland & Stewart has hired lobbyist and strategic advisor **Tanya Lombard**, former Director of Government Affairs for Altria Corporate Services, Inc. Lombard’s ties to Congressional Democrats run especially deep.

“We’re thrilled that Tanya Lombard will be bringing her expertise, political savvy and extensive relationships to bear on behalf of our clients,” said **Jeffrey Peck**, a partner in the firm. “Tanya has done stellar work with elected officials at every level of government – with the Clinton Administration, in the House of Representatives, and with state and local leaders. She will be an invaluable member of our team,” adds Peck.

“Tanya understands government from top to bottom and has the unique ability to create trusting relationships,” notes **Congressman G.K. Butterfield (D-NC)**. Underscoring the value she will bring to clients of Johnson, Madigan, Peck, former **Congressman Harold Ford** states: “Tanya understands the intersection between leadership and results.” In addition, **Congressman Ford** notes that Lombard’s “experience in the White House, and recently her private sector and public policy advocacy work, have yielded, among other things, a wealth of relationships and knowledge about how to leverage and resolve things for those she’s working for and with.”

Lombard’s experience and expertise extends to all levels of government. “I have worked with Tanya in securing valuable resources to meet New Orleans’ many recovery needs,” comments **New Orleans Mayor Ray Nagin**. “She has a unique ability to think through complex issues, dial into her large database of contacts, and solve problems in a manner matched by few in her peer group,” adds Mayor Nagin.

Lombard also has a strong record of bringing together leaders of the political, artistic and philanthropic communities. “Tanya Lombard is the most intelligent, thoughtful and trusted advocate I have ever worked with in my philanthropic and political endeavors,” says accomplished film, television and stage actor and star of *CSI: NY*, **Hill Harper**. Adds Harper: “I truly celebrate her commitment to all she does and, most importantly, her judgment.”

Emmy and Golden Globe Award winning actor and native Washingtonian **Jeffrey Wright**, similarly lauds Lombard's skill and commitment. "I rely on Tanya Lombard's counsel for any political or philanthropic endeavor," says Wright. "Her years of experience at the highest levels in Washington have won her valuable access, and she combines sharp insight and drive with the rarer things, loyalty and integrity," adds **Wright**, who has starred in such works as "Angels in America," "Syriana" and "Casino Royale."

Lombard joins Johnson, Madigan, Peck's bipartisan team of lobbyists after holding several senior positions within the public and private sector. As the Director of Government Affairs for Altria, her responsibilities included lobbying Members of the House of Representatives and the United States Senate on a multitude of issues pertinent to the company, and enhancing relationships with constituent groups and civic organizations throughout the country. She served in the Clinton Administration as Special Assistant to the President and Director of Political Affairs for the Southern Region. In February 1999, she was appointed as Southern Political Director at the White House. In her role, Ms. Lombard advised the President, Vice President, First Lady and Mrs. Gore on the national political climate, with particular emphasis on the southern region of the United States.

A seven-year veteran of Capitol Hill, Ms. Lombard began her political career by serving as the Congressional Assistant for Congresswoman Lindy Boggs. Furthermore, her political experience includes an extended tenure as the Director of Public Affairs for Congressman William J. Jefferson of New Orleans.

Ms. Lombard, a native of New Orleans, Louisiana, received a Bachelor of Arts degree from Xavier University

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