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## **Shartsis Friese LLP Announces 3 New Partners**

Shartsis Friese is proud to announce that, effective January 1, 2013, Christina Mickelson Hamilton, Larisa Meisenheimer, and Lisa Jacobs have been elevated to partner.

Christina Hamilton, a 2002 graduate of Hastings College of the Law, first joined Shartsis Friese as a Summer Associate in 2001 and practices with the Investment Funds and Advisers Group. Ms. Hamilton is actively involved with the Association of Women in Alternative Investing, serving as secretary. She is also involved with the Lawyer's Committee for Civil Rights' Legal Services for Entrepreneurs, and a member of 100 Women in Hedge Funds, the Financial Women's Association and the Business Law Sections of the Bar Association of San Francisco and the California State Bar. Ms. Hamilton is a co-author of U.S. Regulation of Hedge Funds (ABA 2005).

John Broadhurst, a principal of the Firm's Investment Funds and Advisers Group, stated, "Christina is an outstanding attorney and is highly valued by our investment advisory clients, which are in essence small businesses that need efficient and sensible problem solving from their attorneys. We are very excited that Christina is joining the partnership."

Larisa Meisenheimer, a 2003 graduate of Stanford Law School, first joined Shartsis Friese as a Summer Associate in 2002 and joined the firm as an Associate in 2003 and practices with the Litigation Group. Ms. Meisenheimer also had a brief stint with the Office of the District Attorney in Portland prior to rejoining Shartsis Friese in 2008. She is the 2012: Chair of the Association of Business Trial Lawyers Leadership Development Committee.

Lisa Jacobs, a 2003 graduate of Boalt Hall School of Law, joined Shartsis Friese in 2007 after three years as an associate at Latham & Watkins and practices with the Litigation Group. Ms. Jacobs started her career as a law clerk for the Honorable David W. Hagen (Ret.), United States District Court Judge for the District of Nevada. Ms. Jacobs was named a "Rising Star" in Northern California by Super Lawyers Magazine in 2011 and



2012. In addition to her work at the firm, Ms. Jacobs serves, by appointment of the State Bar's Board of Trustees, on the Board of Directors of the California Young Lawyers Association. She also serves on the Board of Directors of Spark, a non-profit network of young professionals dedicated to improving the lives of women and girls and to training the next generation of philanthropists.

Arthur J. Shartsis, Chair of the Firm's Litigation Group, stated, "Lisa and Larisa are both exceptionally talented lawyers. They have proven over the years that they have the full range of judgment and skills to represent clients in the most challenging cases. We are proud and delighted to have them join the partnership."

Founded in San Francisco in 1975, Shartsis Friese LLP has over 50 lawyers. The firm has extensive trial and business litigation experience, including securities enforcement defense, and a complex transactional practice focused on investment advisers, hedge funds, mergers and acquisitions, corporate finance, securities, tax, venture capital, intellectual property and real estate.

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