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AALRR Bolsters its Traditional Labor and Employment Law Team with Two Attorneys from Paul Hastings & Fisher and Phillips

CERRITOS, Calif. — Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo (“AALRR”) has added two prominent partners to its traditional labor and employment law practice. Brigham Cheney and Brent Garrett will augment AALRR’s team of 160 attorneys and advise management in claims involving both union and non-union employees.

Brigham Cheney joins AALRR from Paul Hastings, where he practiced labor and employment law with distinction for over ten years. Brig has extensive experience representing employers in the international shipping and transportation industry, as well as businesses operating in life sciences, telecommunications, warehousing, and several other major industries. His work at the bargaining table during the seven-day strike that shut down the Ports of Los Angeles and Long Beach in 2012 was crucial to the strike’s termination and to getting the ports back to work. He also has unique credentials in wage-and-hour class action law, having successfully tried two such class actions, in addition to obtaining victories for his clients in numerous other complex employment class cases. Mr. Cheney represents employers in all aspects of labor and employment law, including traditional labor law; discrimination, harassment, and wrongful termination litigation; wage-and-hour issues; breach of contract claims; employee mobility and trade secret claims; and executive employment agreements.

Brent Garrett joins AALRR as a seasoned traditional labor lawyer. Brent was a partner at Fisher & Phillips LLP, and previously practiced at O’Melveny & Myers LLP. He handles high-stakes traditional labor work in all industries, including construction, manufacturing, transportation, retail, hospitality, and healthcare. He also served as the general counsel of a nationwide food company. Brent specializes in unfair labor practice charges, grievance arbitrations, labor litigation, strikes and lockouts, trespass litigation, union elections, and corporate campaigns. He has negotiated over 50 collective bargaining agreements for employers. Brent is also an expert in California and federal employment law.

Brig and Brent join a traditional labor team which has excelled in representing employers across the country. Founding Partner, Steve Atkinson, said, “The firm began 35 years ago, dedicated to providing excellent legal counsel in the traditional labor and employment arenas. The addition of Brig and Brent to our traditional labor team underscores our commitment to this specialized practice area. We are excited at this opportunity to add to our deep bench of skilled labor lawyers.”

Managing Partner, Mark Palin, commented, “Our clients value specialized expertise in traditional labor law. Brig and Brent represent an even bigger brighter future for what was already a top level

traditional labor law practice. With this team we stand to be leaders in this practice area for many years to come."

About Atkinson, Andelson, Loya, Ruud & Romo

With 35 years of unwavering commitment to client service, [AALRR](http://www.aalrr.com) has become one of California's leading law firms. Our diverse team brings a seasoned perspective to California's complex legal landscape for [private](#) and [public](#) entities, with particular strength in the areas of education, [labor and employment](#), [construction](#), [complex litigation](#), [corporate](#), taxation and bankruptcy. Our public sector clients include more than 400 K-12 school districts, community college districts and universities, as well as cities, counties and special districts. We also represent businesses of all shapes and sizes, from "mom and pop" companies to publicly traded corporations. At 160 lawyers and growing, we maintain eight offices in [Cerritos](#), [Fresno](#), [Irvine](#), [Pleasanton](#), [Pasadena](#), [Riverside](#), [Sacramento](#), and [San Diego](#). For more information about us, visit our website at www.aalrr.com and sign up for our blogs, www.aalrreducationlaw.com and www.aalrremploymentlaw.com.

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