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Former International Trade Commission Vice Chairman Dean Pinkert Joins Hughes Hubbard International Trade Practice

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Washington, D.C. and New York, March 8, 2017 – Hughes Hubbard & Reed announced that Dean Pinkert joined the firm as a partner in its International Trade Group.

Pinkert was most recently a Commissioner on the U.S. International Trade Commission.

About Dean Pinkert

President George W. Bush nominated Pinkert to the ITC and he was confirmed by the U.S. Senate in 2007. President Barack Obama designated Pinkert Vice Chairman of the ITC in 2014.

As a Commissioner for the past decade, Pinkert participated in numerous antidumping, countervailing duty, and safeguard investigations, including the special safeguard investigation of passenger tires that resulted in import relief for the domestic tire industry and was upheld by the World Trade Organization. Pinkert participated as well in the unprecedented number of final determinations issued by the Commission in Section 337 investigations, notably dissenting in an electronic devices case that went to the President of the United States for review on policy grounds. The President, relying on many of the factors cited in the dissent, overruled the Commission for the first time since 1987. Pinkert also has joined in issuing many economic studies, including a study of the Trans-Pacific Partnership Agreement.

Before his appointment, Pinkert served at the U.S. Department of Commerce in the international trade area. He was a senior attorney in the Office of Chief Counsel for Import Administration, serving as liaison with U.S. Customs and Border Protection, counsel to the Foreign Trade Zone program, advisor to the U.S. Trade Representative, and

litigation counsel in antidumping and countervailing duty matters. He argued trade remedy cases before NAFTA and WTO panels, and also served as Trade and Judiciary Counsel to Senator Robert C. Byrd.

About The International Trade Group

Hughes Hubbard's International Trade practice helps clients navigate the complex international trade regulatory environment, advising and representing clients in the entire range of import, export, national security and trade-related regulatory matters. The team includes internationally recognized lawyers with decades of senior government service and private practice experience, drawing on deep knowledge of trade laws, credibility with government regulators, and a creative approach to advocacy to deliver excellent results on clients' most critical trade matters.

The International Trade Group also works closely with the Intellectual Property Group, bringing together patents, trade secrets and unfair competition litigation experience with the talents of our deep bench of litigators to assist clients with their international trade disputes, including Section 337.

Ted Mayer, Hughes Hubbard Managing Partner, said:

"As the new presidential administration continues to drive changes to trade policy, Dean has a unique combination of high-level government experience, industry knowledge and bipartisan outlook to help our clients navigate the new landscape."

Amanda DeBusk, Chair of the Trade Group, said:

"We expect to see a significant increase in trade cases as the Trump Administration and global geopolitical events continue to impact trade policies. The administration appears committed to new trade measures, such as tariffs. In addition, the U.S. is preparing to negotiate a trade agreement with the United Kingdom, independent of the European Union. Dean strengthens our leading market credentials for projects across these pressing areas as well as the full range of trade policy. He knows first-hand how decisions are made at the ITC and at Commerce. He is well respected by both major parties, and he has exceptional relationships within the new administration and in the Congress. We are delighted to welcome him to the Trade Group."

Dean Pinkert said:

"This is a critical time for businesses that depend on navigating trade policy. The new administration of course is being very aggressive, utilizing old and new authorities, traditional approaches like antidumping and anti-subsidy duties as well as more novel approaches. Section 337 intellectual property investigations have become much more common. Companies around the world need to be equipped with an understanding of the emerging environment in Washington, particularly in capital and intellectual property intensive industries like semiconductors, chemicals, steel and automotive manufacturing.

"I have known Amanda DeBusk for more than 20 years. She and her partners have built a sterling reputation within industry, government and the trade bar and provide the highest quality representation. Hughes Hubbard is a great platform for top trade lawyers. I am excited to be a part of the team and look forward to making my contribution."

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