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Former Florida Attorney General Pam Bondi Joins Ballard Partners

Bondi to Chair Ballard's Corporate Regulatory Compliance Practice

Pam Bondi, elected twice to serve as Florida's Attorney General from 2011 - 2019, has joined Ballard Partners to launch and Chair the firm's Corporate Regulatory Compliance practice. The firm's new national practice area will focus on serving Fortune 500 companies to implement best practices that proactively address public policy challenges such as human trafficking, opioid abuse and personal data privacy.

"Pam Bondi has been one of Florida's most accomplished Attorneys General and has earned a reputation among her colleagues as one of the toughest law enforcement officials in the country. With her unique perspective, experience and stellar reputation, there is no one better to launch and lead our firm's national Corporate Regulatory Compliance practice," said Brian Ballard, the firm's President and founder.

During her tenure as Attorney General of Florida, Bondi undertook dozens of major state and national initiatives, including filing the most comprehensive state litigation regarding the national opioid crisis. She played a leading role in achieving the National Mortgage Settlement that ultimately resulted in \$56 billion in total relief nationally. In a tremendous victory for Florida, Bondi sued BP and other responsible parties in the Deepwater Horizon Oil Spill case and settled for more than \$2 billion in economic relief for Florida alone.

"Serving the residents of the state of Florida for eight years was a privilege and the honor of a lifetime. With my public service now concluded, I am thrilled to join Brian and the brilliant team at Ballard Partners," Bondi said. "The firm's new Corporate Regulatory Compliance practice will help our clients design and implement publicly conscious initiatives that will elevate their corporate responsibility reputation as well as address their critical regulatory challenges. I look forward to assisting our firm's clients in these complicated and significant matters."

Since 2011, Bondi worked aggressively to shut down pill mills, combat opioid abuse, ban synthetic drugs, end human trafficking, test previously unprocessed sexual assault kits, develop a school safety app to prevent school shootings, recover more than \$1 billion in consumer protection, antitrust, and false claims matters (not counting the National Mortgage Settlement and BP), obtain more than \$870 million in settlements and judgments through the Medicaid

Fraud Control Unit, prosecute hundreds of multi-judicial circuit criminal cases, defend Florida's laws and constitution, and guard against federal overreach.

Bondi is a fourth-generation Floridian who spent more than 18 years as a prosecutor, trying cases ranging from domestic violence to capital murder. With her successful first-time run for office in 2010, Bondi became the first female Attorney General in Florida's history.

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