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Attorney General Phil Weiser appoints Carolyn Linsey as Western Slope-based Senior Assistant Attorney General for Higher Education

Durango resident will serve as general counsel to Colorado Mesa University and Fort Lewis College

Sept. 18, 2019 (DENVER, Colo.)— Colorado Attorney General Phil Weiser has appointed Carolyn Linsey as Senior Assistant Attorney General (Senior AAG) in the State Services Section of the Colorado Department of Law (DOL). Linsey will be based in Durango and will serve as general counsel to Colorado Mesa University and Fort Lewis College. She will spend time actively working on each campus. Linsey is the first Senior AAG to work primarily on Colorado's Western Slope, honoring the Attorney General's commitment to providing strong legal counsel throughout Colorado.

"Carolyn Linsey's appointment as a Senior Assistant Attorney General demonstrates our commitment to effectively serving all the people of Colorado," Weiser said. "Linsey will provide expert legal advice to Colorado Mesa University and Fort Lewis College, and both contribute to and learn from those communities that she serves. She brings a very strong background to this position and will be a strong partner to both the office and the Western Slope. We look forward to welcoming her aboard."

Linsey recently served as general counsel to the University of Bridgeport in Connecticut. Prior to serving as General Counsel at the University of Bridgeport, Linsey was a principal at Jeffers Cowherd serving as outside counsel for numerous Connecticut institutions. Previously at Owens and Schine, Linsey represented Fairfield University in a wide range of legal matters for more than 20 years. Linsey also served in the United States Air Force Judge Advocate General Corp. She earned a Masters of Law at New York University School of Law and a Juris Doctor at the University of Georgia School of Law.

Ms. Linsey stated: "I'm excited to be joining Attorney General Weiser's team and looking forward to providing legal support to advance the missions of these two outstanding institutions on the Western Slope."

The Higher Education Unit in the State Services Section of DOL represents the state's public colleges and universities, the community college system, and the Colorado Department of Higher Education on a wide range of state and federal compliance issues, board governance, transactional matters, open meetings, open records, formal and informal opinions, rule and policy drafting, and federal regulatory compliance including the Americans with Disabilities Act, the Family Educational Rights and Privacy Act, and Title IX.

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