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Colorado Attorney General Cynthia H. Coffman Appoints Deputy Attorney General for Natural Resources and Environment Section

DENVER – Colorado Attorney General Cynthia H. Coffman today announced the appointment of Laura Chartrand as Deputy Attorney General for the Natural Resources and Environment Section. Before joining the Attorney General's Office, Chartrand was a policy advisor at the Western Governors' Association, where she advised the governors of 19 western states and 3 U.S.-flag islands on a variety of critical natural resources issues.

“Laura brings a unique blend of leadership skills, legal acumen, and a demonstrated ability to build consensus on complex environmental issues,” said Attorney General Coffman. “Her dedication to preserving and protecting the environment will serve our clients and the people of the State of Colorado well.”

Prior to joining the Western Governors' Association, Chartrand worked as a water resources policy advisor at Tri-State Generation and Transmission Association, Inc. She also spent several years in private practice representing corporations, individual business owners and agricultural interests on a range of natural resources matters, including water resources and quality, public lands, energy development, and endangered species.

Chartrand earned a Juris Doctorate from the University of Denver Sturm College of Law. She received her Bachelor's degree in Sociology from the State University of New York, New Paltz. Prior to her legal and policy work, Chartrand spent nearly fifteen years in higher education and corporate management positions, managing staff of over 100 employees and budgets in excess of \$4.5 million.

Chartrand began her new role on June 27, 2016.

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