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LAURA K. SCHWALBE NAMED 2021 40 UNDER 40 HONOREE BY BUFFALO BUSINESS FIRST

Buffalo, New York, October 6, 2021 – Harter Secret & Emery LLP, a full-service business law firm with offices throughout New York, is pleased to announce that [Laura K. Schwalbe](#), a senior associate in the firm’s [Government and Internal Investigations](#) and [Privacy and Data Security](#) practices, has been selected as a 2021 40 Under 40 honoree by the *Buffalo Business First*.

Every year, 40 Under 40 recognizes 40 men and women, under the age of 40, who have achieved professional success and who have also made significant civic contributions to the community. This marks the 30th year of the awards, bringing the total number of honorees over the years to 1,200.

Schwalbe is a data security breach coach and represents clients in complex litigation and investigations. She is a Certified Information Privacy Professional, United States (CIPP/US) as certified by the International Association of Privacy Professionals (IAPP). Her experience includes helping clients respond to cyber incidents, data security due diligence for M&A transactions, and counseling on EU’s General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR) and California Consumer Privacy Act (CCPA) obligations. She also helps clients conduct internal investigations and respond to investigations, audits, and examinations by government agencies including the U.S. Department of Justice, the SEC, the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority, and the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau, and various state Attorneys General. She received her B.A. from Boston University, and is a *magna cum laude* graduate of the Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law.

Schwalbe is a member of the Board of Directors for WNY Heroes, Inc. WNY Heroes is a not-for-profit organization serving the needs of Western New York’s veterans and their families. She was selected by her peers for inclusion in the *Best Lawyers: Ones to Watch* list for Commercial Litigation

and Corporate Governance and Compliance Law. She was also recognized as a Super Lawyers Rising Star among Upstate New York attorneys, and was honored by the New York Empire State Counsel for her pro bono work.

The 40 Under 40 awards will be celebrated at a luncheon on November 18, 2021, at The Statler in Buffalo, NY.

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