



## Olsen Palmer Expands Bank M&A Advisory Practice With Hiring of Managing Director Michael Rediker, Launch of Birmingham Office

**Washington, D.C.** – Olsen Palmer is pleased to announce the hiring of Michael Rediker as Managing Director and the corresponding launch of an office in Birmingham, Alabama where Mr. Rediker will be based. Mr. Rediker will be responsible for supporting the firm’s bank M&A and strategic advisory practice in the Southeast U.S. where he will focus on sell-side M&A advisory, buy-side M&A advisory, valuations, fairness opinions, and Board-level assessments of strategic alternatives. This is Olsen Palmer’s 4<sup>th</sup> office, complementing the firm’s headquarters in Washington D.C. and existing regional offices in Chicago and Denver.

Mr. Rediker brings almost 20 years of industry experience to Olsen Palmer. Most recently, he was with Porter White & Company, Inc. where he was the head of the firm’s community bank M&A advisory practice. Previously, Mr. Rediker held similar positions at Paces Battle Group, Inc. and at Sterne, Agee & Leach, Inc. Mr. Rediker earned a Bachelor of Science in Management, with a double major in finance and legal studies, from Tulane University’s A.B. Freeman School of Business. He is a CFA charterholder and is licensed with the Financial Industry Regulatory Authority (FINRA) as a General Securities Representative (Series 7), an Investment Banking Representative (Series 79), and a Uniform Securities Agent (Series 63).

Christopher Olsen, Managing Partner of Olsen Palmer, said, “We are very excited about having Michael join our team and the related launch of a Birmingham office. Michael’s expertise and relationships will deepen our existing practice in the Southeast and his client-first approach to the business mirrors our own. We have no doubt he will thrive on our model in combining the expertise of a traditional investment banking firm with the innovation and agility of an independent firm”

“Olsen Palmer has become a premier, top-tier independent bank M&A advisory firm,” Mr. Rediker said. “Having followed their success over time and now with the benefit of an inside perspective on their culture, I appreciate their innovative approach and the expertise they bring to the table. I am thrilled to be joining forces with Olsen Palmer and am excited about building out the firm’s bank M&A advisory practice in the Southeast.”

### **About Olsen Palmer:**

Olsen Palmer is an independent investment banking firm that exclusively specializes in advising community banks across the spectrum of Mergers & Acquisitions. By design, our model combines the extensive M&A expertise of a traditional investment banking firm with the agility, creativity, responsiveness, and independence of a boutique firm. Specializing in sell-side M&A advisory, buy-side M&A advisory, valuations, fairness opinions, branch acquisitions and divestitures, and Board-level assessments of strategic options.

Olsen Palmer LLC was ranked as a Top 3 bank M&A advisory firm in 2019 according to S&P Global, based on the total number of nationwide whole-bank sell side M&A transactions advised upon. Additionally, Managing Partner Christopher Olsen was ranked as the #1 bank M&A advisor in 2019 according to S&P Global, based on the total number of all nationwide whole-bank M&A transactions on which he served as advisor.

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