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NTIA OFFICIAL RETURNS TO PRIVATE PRACTICE AT WILMER, CUTLER & PICKERING

September 28, 2000 (Washington, D.C.) -- Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering is pleased to announce that Justyna Beckwith ("Becky") Burr, former Associate Administrator and Director of International Affairs at the National Telecommunications & Information Administration (NTIA) in the Department of Commerce, has returned to the firm as a partner, resident in its Washington, D.C. office. Ms. Burr's considerable expertise in international communications and information technology not only strengthens the firm's active Communications practice, but complements its Corporate and expanding E-commerce practices, as well.

Ms. Burr first joined WCP as an associate in November 1989. In January of 1995, she left the firm to serve as Attorney-Advisor to Commissioner Christine A. Varney at the Federal Trade Commission, where she was responsible for competition and consumer protection policy in connection with information industry/electronic information infrastructure.

In June of 1997 Ms. Burr left the FTC to become Senior Internet Policy Advisor at NTIA, where she was the principal NTIA official responsible for the formulation, analysis, and implementation of Internet and information technology policy. As the chief NTIA official in the Clinton Administration's inter-agency task force on e-commerce, Ms. Burr was responsible for development and implementation of Administration policy on Internet governance and privacy and chaired the task force on the Internet domain name system. In December 1997, Ms. Burr became Associate Administrator and Director of International Affairs at NTIA, responsible not only for the formulation, analysis, and implementation of Federal Executive Branch international telecommunications and information technology policies, but also for communication of those policies to Congress, the Federal Communications Commission, foreign governments, international organizations, and the private sector. In addition, she supervised all aspects of NTIA's Office of International Affairs and provided policy advice and development expertise on numerous e-commerce issues.

WCP Managing Partner William J. Perlstein commented on Ms. Burr's return to the firm: "We couldn't be more pleased that Becky has decided to return to us. With her experience in the areas of telecommunications, technology, and e-commerce, we anticipate that Becky will be a key member of our Northern Virginia expansion office, which we expect to open early next year."

Ms. Burr received her B.A., *cum laude*, with Distinction in American Studies, from Yale University in 1977. She received her J.D., *magna cum laude*, from Georgetown University Law Center in 1987, where she served as Editor of the *Georgetown Law Journal* and was elected to the Order of the Coif. Ms. Burr is admitted to the District of Columbia Bar and has written numerous articles on Internet and other e-commerce issues.

Wilmer, Cutler & Pickering is an international law firm with offices in Washington, D.C., Baltimore, New York, Brussels, London, and Berlin. The Firm has more than 350 lawyers engaged in a broad practice spanning the full range of corporate matters, regulatory work, high-stakes litigation, cross-border transactions, and international arbitration matters. The Firm will open an office in Tysons Corner in January 2001.