

Press Release

Akerman Appoints Heather L. Fesnak as Deputy Chair of Consumer Financial Services, Data and Technology (CFS+) Practice

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Top 100 U.S. law firm Akerman today announced the appointment of Heather L. Fesnak as Deputy Chair of the firm's Consumer Financial Services, Data and Technology (CFS+) Practice.

CFS+ Chair and founder William P. Heller said this appointment reflects the group's expansion in number of lawyers, geographic coverage and scope of services, but even more Heather's dedication and valuable contributions to the practice group's success.

Heller said, "Our practice became immediately stronger with Heather in the deputy chair role. She's a subject matter expert, seasoned trial lawyer and compliance advisor, as well as a trusted and fair leader within the practice and firm."

Akerman has had a sector-leading consumer financial services practice for more than 20 years. Just over 1 year ago the practice was rebranded as CFS+ to specifically include fintech and privacy as primary concentrations along with nationally recognized big stakes, class and high volume portfolio litigation and risk management, with authentic experience leading jury trials, arbitrations and appeals in all states and territories. In this way

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CFS+ aggregates the group's recognized work and results for financial services clients, encompassing litigation, compliance and regulatory enforcement, licensing, payment technologies, cryptocurrencies, as well as privacy and data security. The group's lawyers work with global, national, regional, and community financial institutions, consumer and commercial lenders, payment processors, financial technology companies, and other financial services providers.

Heather L. Fesnak has been a partner at Akerman since 2015. Based in Tampa, she has led that office's CFS+ team since 2015 and represents a wide range of financial services providers with a deep concentration on the residential mortgage lending and servicing industry. She also serves internally on the firm's professional development council and is a graduate of Leadership Tampa Bay. She earned her J.D. from University of Michigan and a B.A. from Georgetown University.

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