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Akerman Lawyer Tara Jackson Joins Chief, Exclusive Network of Women Leaders

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National law firm Akerman today announced corporate associate <u>Tara Jackson</u> in Fort Lauderdale has been accepted to join a select community of the most powerful woman executives in the United States through Chief.

Chief is a private network built to help more women attain positions of power and to keep them there. It is the only organization specifically designed for the most powerful women executives to strengthen their leadership, magnify their influence, and pave the way to bring others with them.

With an expansive capital markets practice, Jackson is experienced in all aspects of corporate governance, initial and secondary public offerings, PIPE financing, '34 Act reporting requirements, regulatory compliance (including compliance with the SEC, NASDAQ, NYSE, and state securities laws), mergers and acquisitions, and other general corporate matters. She represents clients from a broad spectrum of industries, including healthcare, utilities, financial services, automotive, and technology. Her background in business and unique approach to problem solving enables her to provide practical solutions to complex matters.

Jackson previously served as a Council Member of the Akerman Racial Justice Initiative, co-chair of Akerman's Black Internal Network Group, and on

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the Executive Committee of Akerman's Women's Initiative Network. Most recently, she served as inhouse counsel for Truist Financial Corporation and eBay Inc. Prior to practicing law, Jackson was the compliance director of a group of financial institutions in Jamaica.

Since launching in New York in 2019, Chief's membership has grown to more than 10,000 senior women leaders in seven cities, with a waitlist of 40,000 executives from across the country. More than 60 of the Fortune 100 companies have Chief members in their ranks, with members collectively managing \$220 billion of the U.S. economy. C-Suite, senior executives, and accomplished VPs are evaluated for membership based on seniority, professional experience, background, and impact, as well as a demonstrated history of supporting others along the way.

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