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Innovative Government Affairs Firm Adds Capitol Hill Veteran

WASHINGTON. D.C. – Innovative Washington government affairs firm HillStaffer, LLC, has named Capitol Hill and insurance industry veteran Michael Lewan as a managing director.

"We are delighted to have someone with Michael's vast knowledge and experience join our firm," said HillStaffer president Thomas R. Rosenfield. "Michael's leadership will provide our clients with tools indispensable to their successful federal advocacy efforts.

"Mr. Lewan has exceptional expertise in legislative affairs and is an acknowledged insurance industry expert. He is a recognized leader in the moderate Democratic movement, having been named by President Bill Clinton as chairman of the <u>United States Commission for the Preservation of America's Heritage Abroad</u>, senior advisor to Democratic Vice-Presidential candidate Senator Joseph Lieberman (D-CT), and as an advisor to Senator Lieberman in the 2004 Presidential Primary campaign." Mr. Lewan also served as Senator Lieberman's chief of staff. He previously was chief of staff to Representative Stephen Solarz (D-NY). Mr. Lewan played an important role in the work of the <u>Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee</u> and the <u>Democratic Leadership Council</u>, and is a founder of the <u>New Democratic Coalition</u>, the <u>Senate Mod Squad and the Third Way</u>.

Mr. Lewan continues to serve as president of The Michael Lewan Company and represents multiple Fortune 500 companies including Travelers, Guardian, Mutual of Omaha, Blue Cross Blue Shield, United Concordia, Oracle, and, Medtronic. He has extensive public speaking experience including serving as a commentator on CNN, MSNBC, FOX NEWS, and Radio America, and as a lecturer at the Library of Congress and the Brookings Institute.

In addition to his accomplishments in the private and public sectors, Mr. Lewan was awarded the *Commander's Cross with the Star of the Order of Merit*, by President Aleksander Kwasnievski of Poland (the highest honor Poland confers to a foreign citizen), in recognition of his successful work to improve Polish-American and Jewish-Christian relations. He was named "Man of the Year" by the Emanuel Foundation for Hungarian Culture in 1999.

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