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Former Senate and Current House GOP Staffer Joins Monument

Andrew Lock, an Experienced Legislative Strategist, Will Support the Firm's Cybersecurity, Technology and Telecommunications Clients

Washington, D.C. – Monument Advocacy today announced that Andrew (Andy) Lock is joining the firm's government relations practice. Andy is an experienced legislative strategist with a demonstrated record of success in both chambers of Congress. He joins Monument after eight years on Capitol Hill, where he advised House Homeland Security Committee Republicans and Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO) on issues before the Senate Committee on Commerce, Science and Technology. He will register to lobby on behalf of Monument's clients and will be based out of the Washington, D.C. office.

Monument Partner Ashley Hoy said, "We couldn't be more excited about Andy joining our firm. His experience supporting both the Senate Commerce Committee and House Homeland Security Committee will be an incredible asset to our clients as the current session of Congress comes to an end and our clients reposition their legislative strategies for the next Congress. Our growing list of cybersecurity, technology and telecommunications clients will benefit greatly from Andy as one of few former staffers that have worked on telecommunications, tech and cyber issues from both a commercial regulatory and federal security perspective."

Andy will pull from his involvement in numerous high-level Congressional priorities over the past decade, including several efforts to deploy and secure U.S. telecommunications networks. On the Hill, he was a key player on issues pertaining to spectrum management, data privacy, biometric deployment, and cybersecurity. Having also managed a broader portfolio including aviation and space policy, copyright and intellectual property, consumer protection, travel and tourism, and economic development, Andy will bring seasoned perspectives to client engagements.

"Andy Lock has a unique ability to take highly complex policy issues and communicate them in a straightforward and effective way," said Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO). "He thinks strategically about how to bring together key decision-makers and stakeholders to advance legislative priorities. Andy was a tremendous asset on my staff and will be to the Monument Advocacy team."

Upon joining Monument, Andy said, "Monument has a strong reputation for its deep bench of political and policy expertise, and trusted guidance to both its clients and the Hill. After several years of working in the telecommunications, tech and cyber policy arenas, I am proud to be able to join Monument as a principal. I'm humbled by the opportunity to join their talented team, and excited to contribute to their clients' goals."

About Andy. Prior to joining Monument, Andy spent eight years on Capitol Hill in the Office of Sen. Roy Blunt (R-MO) and as a senior policy staffer for the House Committee on Homeland Security.

In his time working on and with Congressional committees, Andy has performed oversight of the Federal Communications Commission, Federal Trade Commission, and the Department of Homeland Security and its components agencies, including the Transportation Security Administration and the Cybersecurity and Infrastructure Security Agency. His body of work spans several enacted laws and ongoing legislative efforts, in addition to annual appropriations and defense authorization vehicles.

Andy holds a Bachelor of Arts in Political Science from Westminster College and Master of Arts in National Defense and Strategic Studies from United States Naval War College.

About Monument. <u>Monument Advocacy</u> is a bipartisan firm that offers government relations public affairs, strategic and crisis communications, and digital services. We focus on providing our clients with the best advice on how to engage effectively in today's challenging and crowded public policy marketplace.

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