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CivicPoint Launches in West Virginia

CivicPoint, a Frost Brown Todd (FBT) subsidiary and government affairs firm with nine offices in five states across Mid-America, announces the addition of Joe Ward to its new Charleston team. Ward joins Carte Goodwin, who was appointed CivicPoint principal and FBT Charleston Member-in-Charge last month.

As a lobbyist with CivicPoint, Ward is part of a team of former government officials, legislative staff members, experienced attorneys, political campaign strategists and journalist who assist clients in navigating the political landscape and promoting issue advocacy. He advances the interests of clients in industries such as financial services, natural gas, health care, pharmaceuticals and gaming before executive branch officials and the West Virginia Legislature. He also advises and represents clients before various state agencies, among them the West Virginia Health Care Authority, West Virginia Ethics Commission, the Department of Environmental Protection, the State Tax Department and the West Virginia Public Service Commission.

Ward served as deputy general counsel to Governor Joe Manchin III (2005–2007) and as the governor’s designee and chairman at the West Virginia Public Energy Authority. He served as a member of the West Virginia Indigent Defense Commission from 2008 to 2012. Prior attending law school, Ward worked as a researcher at the Progressive Policy Institute in Washington D.C., where he co-authored numerous policy papers focusing on information technology and the economy. Ward earned his J.D. at the Catholic University Columbus School of Law, and has practiced as a civil litigator in West Virginia for the past 12 years. Also hired as an attorney with FBT, Ward will continue to represent various commercial clients, including financial institutions, insurance companies, and energy companies in state and federal courts.

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