

# FTI Consulting Expands Forensic & Litigation Consulting Segment in South Africa with Appointment of Kevin West

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JOHANNESBURG, South Africa, Nov. 02, 2017 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- FTI Consulting, Inc. (NYSE:FCN) today announced the appointment of Kevin West as a Senior Managing Director in the firm's <u>Forensic & Litigation Consulting</u> segment in South Africa. Mr West will be based in Johannesburg.

Mr West brings more than 30 years of experience leading forensic inquiries and investigating financial crimes across Africa and many other international markets. He will help lead the firm's work in advising on and resolving highly complex, multi-jurisdictional regulatory enforcement and compliance challenges.

Kevin Hewitt, Chairman of FTI Consulting's Europe, Middle East and Africa ("EMEA") region, said, "The current business environment in Africa requires organisations to not only defend their current risk activities, but also better understand where others might arise in the future. Kevin's technical expertise, together with his commercial and industry awareness, will help us support our clients and enable them to navigate this difficult and rapidly evolving landscape. I am delighted to welcome him to the firm."

Mr West joins FTI Consulting from FirstRand Group, where he led the bank's Financial Crime Risk business and oversaw compliance with all anti-money laundering/combatting the financing of terrorism regulations. Prior to this role, he was Head of Financial Crime at Barclays Africa Group, where he managed the bank's activities against money laundering, terrorist financing, sanctions, bribery and corruption. He is a member of the Association of Certified Fraud Examiners and the Institute of Commercial Forensic Practitioners.

He joins a highly experienced team, led by Senior Managing Director <u>Petrus Marais</u>, that provides in-depth sector expertise and strong commercial acumen to organisations operating in South Africa and across international markets.

Mr Marais added, "Kevin's appointment is extremely good news for FTI Consulting and its clients. He has a wealth of experience and a perspective I know will contribute greatly to the growth of our Forensic & Litigation Consulting practice in the region."

FTI Consulting expanded its Forensic & Litigation Consulting segment to South Africa in April 2017 with the addition of Mr Marais and a team of senior professionals in Johannesburg and Cape Town, a market where FTI Consulting had already been active through its Strategic Communications segment and Economic & Financial Consulting practice. The appointments in Forensic & Litigation Consulting reflect the growing demand for local specialist knowledge in complex cases of fraud, financial disputes and corruption.

#### **About FTI Consulting**

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