

FTI Consulting Further Enhances Retail & Consumer Products Capabilities With The Addition of Retail Industry Veteran Keith Jelinek

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WASHINGTON, Aug. 20, 2014 /PRNewswire/ -- FTI Consulting, Inc. (NYSE: FCN), the global business advisory firm dedicated to helping organizations protect and enhance their enterprise value, today announced the appointment of Keith Jelinek as a Senior Managing Director in the firm's Retail & Consumer Products practice. He will be based in Boston.

Mr. Jelinek is a seasoned retail industry executive, with more than 30 years of hands-on experience in leading and advising Fortune 100 companies. During his career, Mr. Jelinek has partnered with organizations to achieve revenue growth and margin objectives through business innovation, operational improvements, cost reduction and inventory productivity within the global retail and wholesale industries. Mr. Jelinek has worked with more than 40 retailers spanning the mass, department, specialty, drug, grocery and C-store channels to address complex challenges. In his new role at FTI Consulting, Mr. Jelinek will focus on advising retail and consumer products companies on matters critical to enhancing operating performance and shareholder value.

"Retail and consumer products companies are facing many transformational issues and Keith's expertise and background further enhances our capabilities in advising companies through these critical periods," said <u>Bob Duffy</u>, Global Leader of the firm's Retail & Consumer Products practice and Global Co-leader of the Corporate Finance/Restructuring segment. "Amongst his talents, Keith brings significant knowledge of identifying and implementing critical value improvements to our clients, with the combined benefit of his industry insider perspective and high-impact background as a management consultant."

Prior to joining FTI Consulting, Mr. Jelinek was a Director in the Enterprise Improvement practice at AlixPartners LLC, where he designed, led and implemented processes to improve cost effectiveness and managed merchandise, planning and analysis activities for retail companies. In addition, Mr. Jelinek served in various interim management roles, guiding organizations through business transformations and working collaboratively with executives and boards to effectuate key strategic initiatives.

Before that, Mr. Jelinek served as the Founder and Principal at Jelinek & Associates and held leadership roles including Senior Vice President of Inventory Management at Kmart Corporation and Vice President of Merchandising Systems at Thrifty PayLess Drug Stores.

"It is exciting to be joining the FTI Retail & Consumer Products team and being a part of such a high caliber organization with tremendous talent and reputation in the marketplace," said Mr. Jelinek. "I'm looking forward to driving tangible improvements impacting profitability for our clients."

Mr. Jelinek is actively involved with the Council of Supply Chain Management Professionals, the National Association of Chain Drug Stores, the Food Marketing Institute and the National Retail Federation. Mr. Jelinek has been profiled by *Supermarket News*, National Association of Convenience Stores, *CBS MarketWatch*, *Chain Store Age*, *Time*, *CNBC.com*, *RIS News*, *Women's Wear Daily* and the *Wall Street Journal*, among others.

About FTI Consulting

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