

# FTI Consulting Expands Risk & Investigations Capabilities in Asia with Senior Managing Director Rachel Layburn

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SINGAPORE, July 05, 2021 (GLOBE NEWSWIRE) -- FTI Consulting, Inc. (NYSE: FCN) today announced the continued investment in its Risk & Investigations practice within the <u>Forensic and Litigation Consulting</u> segment with the appointment of <u>Rachel Layburn</u> as a Senior Managing Director, based in Singapore.

Ms. Layburn is an expert in forensic investigations and regulatory compliance matters and brings over 20 years of experience in China and Singapore. At FTI Consulting, she will focus on complex, multi-disciplinary investigations and advising on compliance programme-related services, including for domestic organizations in China and Singapore. Ms. Layburn will work closely with adjacent practices in Asia, including the Data & Analytics, Export Controls, Sanctions & Trade, and Financial Crime Compliance practices.

"I am delighted to welcome Rachel to our Risk & Investigations team. She brings a unique combination of consulting and in-house experience working on compliance matters, including investigations and operationalising compliance programmes, and her leadership working with our teams in Singapore and China will be an excellent strategic complement to our Risk & Investigations practice," said <a href="Beth-Junell">Beth-Junell</a>, Leader of the Risk & Investigations practice in Asia at FTI Consulting. "Rachel has joined us during an exciting period as we look toward growth in Asia and brings a wealth of experience to our Asia practice. Her background will give clients unique insights that will help them manage investigations and maintain compliance programmes that will protect their freedom to operate."

Ms. Layburn has extensive experience working in various geographic locations in Asia and North America, advising numerous organisations with issues relating to global anti-corruption laws, antitrust laws, securities laws, accounting and book-keeping standards, business ethics requirements and other internal control rules. The services she led have included conducting internal investigations, responding to local regulatory authorities' inquiries and inspections, reporting to U.S. government regulatory authorities, engaging with independent monitors and devising and implementing compliance programmes.

Prior to joining FTI Consulting, Ms. Layburn was with WPP Group, the world's largest advertising communications group, as Group Head of Compliance, where she drove all compliance initiatives and oversaw strategies and deliveries across the Asia Pacific region. She was also a partner and Head of Investigations Services at KPMG China, leading the forensic practice in Beijing. Ms. Layburn was the first native Mandarin-speaking forensic partner in a Big 4 mainland China practice.

Commenting on her appointment, Ms. Layburn said, "I am delighted to be joining FTI Consulting and its Risk & Investigations offerings. I look forward to leveraging the diverse platform and global network of experts to provide clients with the expertise and experience needed to navigate today's dynamic and rapidly changing legal and regulatory landscape. It's an exciting time to be part of FTI Consulting in Asia, and I look forward to contributing to our team's growth and the Asia practice's successful trajectory."

Ms. Layburn holds an MBA degree from York University and is a Certified Public Accountant with the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants, a Certified Fraud Examiner, and a Certified Anti-Money Laundering Specialist.

The Risk & Investigations practice at FTI Consulting provides multidisciplinary, independent dispute advisory, investigative, data acquisition/analysis and forensic accounting services to the global business and legal community. The team supports clients facing high-stakes litigation, arbitration, compliance investigations and regulatory scrutiny.

## **About FTI Consulting**

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