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Attorney General-elect Dan Rayfield Announces Team Leadership

(Corvallis, Ore.) – Oregon Attorney General-elect Dan Rayfield announced today the first two members of his executive team, Lisa Udland as deputy attorney general and Jenn Baker as chief of staff.

“I am excited to announce that we have already begun to assemble a strong team to help lead the Oregon Department of Justice’s executive office through this transition and into my term,” Rayfield said.

Deputy Attorney General Lisa Udland, who will stay in her current role, brings more than 10 years of leadership experience at the Department of Justice, including time as chief counsel of the Civil Enforcement Division where she supervised the state’s work on consumer protection.

“Deputy Attorney General Udland’s experience and professionalism is an invaluable asset that will provide much needed stability during this time,” Rayfield said.

Udland began her career with the Oregon DOJ in 2002 as an attorney with the Civil Recovery Section, where she spent many years working on issues relating to the Tobacco Master Settlement Agreement. She formerly worked in private practice, and as an enforcement officer for the Department of Consumer and Business Services Division of Finance and Corporate Securities. Udland received her B.A. from the University of Minnesota and her J.D. from Willamette University College of Law.

Jenn Baker, who served as chief of staff for Rayfield during his time in the Speaker’s office, will join the office as Chief of Staff.

“Jenn brings extensive experience in Oregon state government,” Rayfield said. “Her collaborative leadership style has been indispensable in advancing consequential policy for the people of Oregon throughout her career.”

Prior to joining the Speaker's office, Baker served as the labor and workforce policy advisor and legislative director for Gov. Kate Brown, as political director at the Oregon Nurses Association, director of the SEIU Oregon State Council, as well as various campaign roles, including serving as executive director of FuturePAC, the campaign arm of the Oregon House Democrats, in 2018. Baker received her B.A. from the University of Portland.

“In the coming weeks, we will be focused on building a strong team that will lead the important work of keeping our communities safe and protecting seniors, consumers and working families,” Rayfield said. “In light of this week's election, our work to defend Oregon's values and the rule of law against national attacks will be front and center like never before. As the last line of defense for the rights and freedoms of Oregonians, we will be prepared to stand firm against the unconstitutional and unlawful threats President-elect Trump promised on the campaign trail.”

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