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Former Chief of Staff to United States Senator Bob Graham, H. W. "Buddy" Menn III, Joins Washington DC Office of Brown Rudnick

Mr. Menn is a senior government relations strategist in the healthcare industry

Washington, DC, September 25, 2007 -- Brown Rudnick's Washington DC office continues to expand with the addition of **H. W. "Buddy" Menn III**, who joins the firm as a Principal in the Government Law & Strategies Group. Mr. Menn has over 20 years of experience in federal and state government law and political and legislative affairs. He has served as the senior government relations advisor for numerous healthcare trade associations and corporations, with a particular focus in the areas of pharmaceuticals, retail pharmacy and health insurance. Mr. Menn also served as Chief of Staff to United States Senator Bob Graham, and was appointed by President William J. Clinton to serve as Special Assistant for Legislative Affairs at the Food & Drug Administration.

Before joining Brown Rudnick, Mr. Menn was the Executive Director of Government Affairs and Public Policy for Boehringer Ingelheim Pharmaceuticals, Inc. He was responsible for developing government relations strategies, managing the state lobbying team, and advancing the company policy positions before the United States Congress, federal agencies and trade associations. While executive director, Mr. Menn received the 2006 President Award for the successful launch of an innovative state legislative initiative encouraging Medicaid agencies to implement chronic lung disease management programs.

From 2001 - 2004, he served as the Chief of Staff to United States Senator Bob Graham. In this role, Mr. Menn was the Senator's principal advisor on political, legislative and legal matters. He was also the senior advisor for the Bob Graham for President Campaign in 2003, and served on the legislative staff for the Senator in 1987, as well as on his gubernatorial staff in 1985 when Bob Graham was Governor of Florida.

From 1992 – 1993, Mr. Menn was a member of the Clinton/Gore Presidential Transition Team, and he served as a State Finance Director for the Democratic National Committee during the 1992 Clinton/Gore presidential campaign. Mr. Menn was also a campaign fundraiser for Bob Graham's first election to the United States Senate in 1986.

Mr. Menn has served in a number of top advisory positions in the healthcare industry including, among others: Minority Staff Director and Chief Counsel, U.S. Senate Committee



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on Veterans' Affairs; Vice President of Government Affairs, Generic Pharmaceutical Industry Association; Manager of Government Affairs, National Association of Chain Drug Stores; and Assistant Counsel, Health Insurance Association of America.

Brown Rudnick CEO Joseph F. Ryan commented about the recent appointment, "With a new Congress, the healthcare and pharmaceutical industries face a shifting political landscape. Buddy's addition to our federal practice ensures the firm is well-positioned to assist clients in navigating through potential healthcare policy reforms and political challenges at state and federal levels. We are delighted that he has joined our growing Washington office."

Mr. Menn joins a dynamic team of bipartisan Capitol Hill advocates and legislative specialists in Brown Rudnick's DC office:

- **Michael Lewan** has over 30 years of Washington experience and has managed several successful political campaigns. He is a former Chief of Staff to U.S. Senator Joe Lieberman (D-CT), and plays an important role in the work of the Democratic Senatorial Campaign Committee, The New Democratic Coalition, the Third Way and the Democratic Leadership Council.
- **Doyce Boesch** brings extensive experience on the Republican side, having served as Chief of Staff to Senator Don Nickles (R-OK), and Executive Director of the Republican Senatorial Campaign Committee.
- **Ruth Ravitz Smith** brings over 20 years of experience as a Congressional and gubernatorial staffer, political strategist and government affairs professional. She held executive government relations positions at The St. Paul Travelers Companies, Inc. and Northeast Utilities.
- **James J. Bonham** has over 15 years of experience in legislative affairs, coalition building, political advocacy and campaigns, and media relations. He is the former Executive Director of the Democratic Congressional Campaign Committee (DCCC), a position to which he was appointed by Democratic Leader and now Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives Nancy Pelosi and the late Chairman Robert T. Matsui. Mr. Bonham also served as Chief of Staff to Representative Matsui.
- **Anne Saunders Fabry** is a Director of Government Relations, representing clients before the United States Congress, the Executive Branch and other federal agencies. She has long-standing relationships with the new House Democratic Majority, and in particular with Ways and Means Committee and Financial Services Committee Members, as well as with moderate pro-business caucuses such as the New Democrat Coalition and Blue Dogs.
- **Marlene E. English** is a Government Relations Specialist in Brown Rudnick's Government Law & Strategies Practice Group in Washington DC. Prior to joining Brown Rudnick, she was the Federal Government Relations Coordinator for St. Paul Travelers Companies, Inc., where she helped to establish a new federal government relations office.



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This announcement coincides with Brown Rudnick's recent notice that **Anne Saunders Fabry** was promoted to a Director of Government Law & Strategies. She was formerly a Government Relations Specialist in the D.C. office.

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