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Waldon Studio Architects Appoints Helen Lanes Principal in its DC Office and as Director of Interiors Firmwide

Growth in 2019 Continues with Additional New Hires

July 31, 2019 (Columbia, Md.) – Waldon Studio Architects (WSA) has announced that Helen Lanes has joined the firm as Principal and Director of Interiors. Lanes will lead the firm's DC office while also overseeing the expansion and growth of WSA's interiors practice firmwide.

Lanes has over 25 years of design experience, with her primary focus on healthcare design in the Mid-Atlantic region. She has worked in the Corporate, Commercial, Educational, and Hospitality sectors, in addition to Healthcare. Lanes has experience working from both the Owner's side and from within the architectural studio. She brings a unique perspective and expertise to integrated healthcare planning and to the design of innovative, high-performance solutions that address the needs of complex user groups.

"2019 continues to be a year of growth for WSA," explains Ravi Waldon, AIA, LEED AP BD+C, NCARB, founder and principal at WSA. "Helen's world-class interior design experience is a tremendous complement to WSA's team of architects. We're excited to have her heading up our DC office and leading our interiors practice firmwide as we continue to expand to meet the needs of our clients."

Most recently Lanes served as Interior Design Manager for Inova Health System in Virginia where she developed and implemented Design Guidelines as well as provided design oversight for projects throughout the system. She is a frequent public speaker on design strategies to embrace the patient experience and aging populations. Her professional certifications include Certified Healthcare Interior Designer (CHID) from the American Academy of Healthcare Interior Designers (AAHID); Certified Designer from the National Council for Interior Design Qualification (NCIDQ); and LEED Accredited Professional.

"I'm excited to join this talented and dedicated studio of architects," says Lanes. "Building on the firm's collaborative nature and shared passion for designing spaces that enrich lives, I'm eager to lend my healthcare design expertise to help expand WSA's healthcare practice and grow the interior design portfolio across all sectors."

In addition to Lanes, WSA has added five new hires in the first half of the year. A nationally recognized studio of passionate architects and creatives, the firm continues to expand its geographic footprint throughout the mid-Atlantic region and across the United States through its various practice areas.

About Waldon Studio Architects

Waldon Studio Architects (WSA) was founded in 2003 to serve and strengthen the community through creative design. It is an award-winning studio of passionate architects and creatives, designing spaces for worship, education, community, government, corporate, and healthcare clients. The firm's design approach embodies the service mindset, entering into a partnership between clients and our team with one unified purpose – for the architectural design to reflect the core values and priorities that are pivotal to our clients' mission. WSA has offices in Columbia, Maryland, Washington D.C., and Baltimore, Md. While based in the Mid-Atlantic, the firm has worked on projects in more than 23 states. WSA is a certified Minority Business Enterprise (MBE) in Maryland (MDOT) and Virginia (SWaM) firm, and a registered Certified Small Disadvantaged Business Enterprise in Washington DC. For more information, visit www.waldonstudio.com.

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