## Hunt Companies Announces Expansion of Board of Directors

**El Paso, TX (June 28, 2017)** - Hunt Companies, Inc. today announced the appointment of Laura Cox Kaplan as a new independent member of its Board of Directors.

Ms. Kaplan is the former Principal-in-Charge of Government, Regulatory Affairs and Public Policy for professional services and accounting firm PricewaterhouseCoopers (PwC), where she spent more than 11 years managing the firm's public policy engagement strategy, and almost a decade on the executive management team. In her role at PwC, she also provided advice to clients, particularly at the executive and board level, on developments in public policy and public policy strategy. Ms. Kaplan served on PwC's Global Public Policy and Regulatory Board, which coordinated public policy strategies across the more than 150 countries in which PwC operates. She served as Chair of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants' (AICPA) Federal Legislative Task Force, which coordinated strategies for shaping legislative policy that impacts the accounting profession, and was a member of the Center for Audit Quality's (CAQ) Executive Management Committee.

Prior to joining PwC, Ms. Kaplan served in senior level positions at the U.S. Securities and Exchange Commission and the U.S. Department of the Treasury, where she focused largely on the legislative and regulatory response to corporate governance and accounting failures in the late 1990s and on the implementation of the Sarbanes-Oxley Act of 2002.

"I am pleased that Ms. Kaplan agreed to serve as an independent member of Hunt's board of directors," said Woody Hunt, Executive Chairman. "This appointment is part of our continuing commitment to strengthen the governance structure of Hunt by providing industry expertise to ensure that the company remains a leader in the real estate and infrastructure markets."

Currently, Ms. Kaplan is an adjunct professor at American University, and serves on the Board of Directors of Costar Group (Nasdaq: CGSP). She also serves on a number of non-profit boards including: Running Start (Board Co-Chair); American Council on Germany; Value in Electing Women PAC, and All in Together (Founding Board Member), as well as on the Advisory Board for the Bush School of Government and Public Service at Texas A&M University, the National Women's History Museum's Development Committee, The Wilson Center's Women in Public Service Project, and the US Chamber of Commerce Foundation Advisory Board.

Ms. Kaplan grew up in Rising Star, Texas. She received a Master's degree from American University in Washington, DC in 1998, and a Bachelor's degree from the University of Texas at Austin in 1992.

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## **About Hunt**

Founded in 1947, Hunt Companies, Inc. is today a holding company that invests in business focused in the real estate and infrastructure markets. The activities of Hunt's affiliates and investees include investment management, mortgage banking, direct lending, loan servicing, asset management, property management, development, construction, consulting and advisory. To learn more about Hunt, please visit www.huntcompanies.com.