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***CPR Names New Executive Director:
Shana Campbell Jones to Lead Staff***

Washington, DC -- The Board of Directors of the Center for Progressive Reform today announced that it had appointed Shana Campbell Jones, J.D., to be the organization's new executive director. Jones joined the organization in 2007 as a policy analyst, and has served as acting executive director for the past three months.

"We're thrilled that Shana has accepted the challenge of leading our talented staff," said CPR President Rena Steinzor. "She's an extraordinary lawyer, with unique policy and leadership skills, and she's a perfect fit for the organization."

"I'm delighted to have the opportunity to serve CPR as executive director," Jones said. "We've got extraordinary opportunities and challenges in front of us – working to help reinvigorate regulatory protections for health, safety and the environment; promoting respect for science in government; increasing transparency in government; and more. CPR Member Scholars are among the most thoughtful and innovative on these issues, and I look forward to continuing to work with them to help bridge the gap between their scholarship and policymaking."

Prior to joining CPR, Ms. Jones worked as an associate attorney in the Norfolk office of McGuire Woods, LLP, previously serving as a law clerk to U.S. District Judge Robert G. Doumar and Judge Lynne Battaglia, Maryland Court of Appeals. She received her law degree from the University of Maryland School of Law, where she was the school's first Constellation Scholar, graduated Order of the Coif, and concentrated in environmental law. Ms. Jones received her B.A. and M.A. in English literature. After graduate school, she worked as a writer for the Governor of Texas. In the mid-1990s, she left the Governor's Office to be a Program Administrator for the newly-created Telecommunications Infrastructure Fund Board, giving and managing grants and loans to schools, hospitals, and libraries for computers and high-speed Internet connectivity. She lives in Norfolk, Virginia with her husband and son.

Jones becomes the organization's second executive director, succeeding Jennifer Marshall, who left the organization in June.

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