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SNELL & WILMER HOSTS THIRD ANNUAL SECOND CHANCE SUIT SOIREE

Firm's attorneys collect items to benefit S.A.F.E. House with charity reception

LAS VEGAS (March 12, 2010) — The women of Snell & Wilmer L.L.P. hosted the Third Annual Second Chance Suit Soiree, a reception to honor S.A.F.E. House (Stop Abuse in the Family Environment), on Thursday, March 11, collecting gently used professional apparel as well as accessories and toiletries to benefit the local charity. S.A.F.E. House provides quality crisis intervention, shelter and counseling services to domestic violence victims and their children and accredited treatment services for those who choose to abuse. Cash donations were also welcomed, but not required, and could be designated to go toward dry cleaning costs or directly to S.A.F.E. House.

"We're pleased to assist S.A.F.E. House in empowering the women that benefit so greatly from its services," said Cynthia Alexander, hosting attorney and partner with Snell & Wilmer. "A crisp suit or simple accessory can improve confidence exponentially and really uplift a woman in her endeavors, providing the self-assurance she needs to move forward and move up."

The Third Annual Second Chance Suit Soiree collected a number of suits, slacks, blouses, trousers, shoes, purses and accessories, filling numerous clothing racks and large computer boxes. Also donated were three large bags of toiletry items, such as shampoos, perfumes, body washes, etc.

The annual Snell & Wilmer event is the only way the organization receives suits and work clothes suitable for the job market, and it depends on the event to fulfill the workplace needs of S.A.F.E. House residents for the year. Representatives of S.A.F.E. House were very happy with the quality and quantity of items collected, impressed that the apparel donated is current and fashionable, not out-of-style pieces that have been hanging in the back of someone's closet for ages.

"The suits Snell and Wilmer collected bring our clients a renewed sense of self-confidence that empowers them when embarking on the road to a violence-free life," said Julie Proctor, executive director and founder of S.A.F.E House Inc.

S.A.F.E. House was established in 1994 by a group of community leaders concerned about the needs of battered women and their children. Today, through safe shelter, support, advocacy, counseling and community education, the organization provides a comprehensive approach to working with families to Stop Abuse in the Family Environment.

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