

FRIENDS OF PUBLIC RADIO ARIZONA APPOINTS THREE NEW BOARD MEMBERS FOR 2010

PHOENIX (May 13, 2010) — The Friends of Public Radio Arizona (FPRAZ) recently appointed Larry Ashkin, Jennifer Hadley Dioguardi and LeRoy Gaintner to its board. "Their appointments fulfill our goal of adding six, new dynamic community leaders to the board in 2010," says Jim Paluzzi, the General Manager for Public Radio stations KJZZ 91.5 FM and KBAQ 89.5 FM.

Ashkin, Dioguardi and Gaintner join Mark Feldman, Erik E. Hellum and Todd Sanders as the newly elected members of 2010, who will be replacing some long-standing members whose terms are expiring. "This new team brings a wealth of knowledge and experience that will help us navigate through our complex social, economic and political landscape to help FPRAZ continue its mission of increasing awareness and funds for KJZZ and KBAQ," says Paluzzi.

Laurence B. Ashkin has enjoyed a long and distinguished career, which began to take shape as an LL.B. graduate from Columbia Law School and as a Lieutenant JG for the U.S. Navy during the Korean War. After his military career he practiced law in New York and then founded Centrum Properties, Inc., a real estate development company based in Chicago. He served as its CEO from 1980 until 2009. Ashkin now serves as Board Chair of Perspectives Charter Schools in Chicago and as a member of the Board of Directors for the Illinois Network of Charter Schools and Chicago Public Radio. "I believe that community activism is an essential ingredient to creating positive change and that public radio provides a forum in which we can share ideas to advance those changes. Phoenix is my home away from home so it's a natural fit for me to be of service to FPRAZ."

Jennifer Hadley Dioguardi is a partner of Snell & Wilmer's Phoenix office, a full-service business law firm. She serves as the Financial Services Litigation Group Co-Chair and manages complex commercial litigation with an emphasis on banking, consumer financial services and securities. "I have a deep affinity for public radio, our arts and cultural community, the law and finance and it's my goal to help FPRAZ create a secure financial future for KJZZ and KBAQ." Dioguardi has also volunteered with other non-profits including the Herberger Theater Center, the Arizona Theatre Company and the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation.

LeRoy Gaintner comes to FPRAZ with three decades of experience in strategic planning, analysis and problem solving. He is a partner of Gaintner Bandler Reed & Peters, PLC, which offers a variety of accounting and business services. Gaintner frequently serves as an expert witness in legal matters involving loss of profits, contract disputes and malpractice. He is a member of the American Institute of Certified Public Accountants and the Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants. He has also held various offices for other non-profits including the Maricopa Community College Foundation, the Phoenix Art Museum Men's Arts Council and the Phoenix Park Foundation. "I look forward to helping FPRAZ, KJZZ and KBAQ advance their current initiatives with best practices in mind, while helping them to create a sound blueprint for the future."

About Friends of Public Radio Arizona

FPRAZ is an all volunteer 501(c)(3) established in 2001 by Valley community leaders to increase awareness and funds for member supported public radio stations KJZZ 91.5 FM and KBAQ 89.5 FM., which are a community service of Rio Salado College's Division of Public Service. KJZZ features local and National Public Radio news, light entertainment, jazz and blues—serving approximately 240,500 weekly listeners. KBAQ is the Valley's only classical music station and serves approximately 190,000 weekly listeners. FPRAZ raises funds to finance new programs and initiatives that the stations cannot because of staff limitations, budget constraints or other restrictions. FPRAZ raises funds through individual gifts, grants, special programs and events. For more information, visit fpraz.org, kjzz.org and kbaq.org.

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