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SNELL & WILMER HOSTS SECOND ANNUAL CHARITY MIXER ATTRACTING MORE THAN 25 LOCAL PHILANTHROPIC ORGANIZATIONS

LAS VEGAS (Oct. 30, 2013) – Snell & Wilmer's Las Vegas office hosted its second annual charity presentation and mixer that attracted over 75 board members and staff from more than 25 local charities. <u>John Delikanakis</u>, a partner in the firm's Las Vegas office, led the effort again this year in hosting a reception devoted to discussing and developing strategies to address the challenges local charities face.

"We discussed a wide range of topics including what constitutes an effective board member, the transparency of finances, best practices for targeting key donors and the impact of social media and the digital landscape as it relates to fundraising," said Delikanakis. "It was apparent that we all continue to face similar goals and challenges. By coming together for an evening, we were able to exchange ideas and share best practices which we hope were beneficial for both board and staff members."

<u>Tim Child</u>, vice president of Institutional Advancement for <u>The J. Paul Getty Trust</u>, lead the discussion and shared his thoughts on his development work at the Getty Trust and his prior experiences as a fundraiser for the University of Chicago. Child also discussed best practices and industry trends on what donors look for in a charity, the importance of carefully defined missions, trends in charitable giving and campaign planning. Child worked for 23 years at the University of Chicago where he was responsible for annual, major and principal gifts, planned giving, international advancement and alumni relations.

Area charities that were represented by board members and staff included: Aid for AIDS of Nevada; andson inc.; Boys & Girls Club of Las Vegas; Casa de Luz; Catholic Charities of Southern Nevada; Communities In Schools Nevada; Create a Change Now; Critters Waiting at Home; Desert Research Institute; EnergyFit Nevada; International Initiative of Cap-Haitian's Natives; Las Vegas Doberman Pinscher and Dachshund Rescue; Legal Aid Center of Southern Nevada; Lili Claire Foundation; National Association of Women in Construction; National Multiple Sclerosis Society; Nevada Children's Center; Nevada Public Radio; PIA Program Portfolio Advisor; Project Dinner Table; R & R Partners Foundation; Rebuilding Together; Salvation Army; St. Jude's Ranch; The Smith Center for the Performing Arts; United Way of Southern Nevada; and the Board of Governors of the Utah Shakespeare Festival.

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