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Second Annual Law Rocks Washington DC at the Annual Conference of the International Bar Association Breaks Records

Nonprofit organization that hosts legal professionals in battle of the bands fundraising concerts returns to Washington with their largest concert ever.

Washington DC, September 19, 2016 – Law Rocks, the nonprofit organization that hosts a global series of fundraising concerts starring bands of legal professionals, is presenting the Second Annual Law Rocks Washington DC this Thursday, September 22. The event coincides with the Annual Conference of the International Bar Association at which Law Rocks has presented an event for the last three years. A record fourteen bands representing over 25 law firms will rock out for charity. Held at the acclaimed 9:30 Club, the night has surpassed last year in total fundraising, at just over 100K already.

Competition will be fierce as last year's DC winner, The Fine Print of Shulman Rogers, and last year's IBA Vienna winner, IM Beats of Irwin Mitchell, compete against returning and new bands. The winning band will be selected by four factors: donations raised, tickets and sponsorships, audience favorite, and Rock Panel of Judges score. The Rock Panel includes Grammy award winning singer/songwriter SONiA, disappear fear; music industry veteran and Executive in Residence at American University Kogod School of Business, James Simson; engineer at Cue Recording and producer of *The Circus Life* podcast, Sean Russell; Davis Law PLLC founder and Washington Area Lawyers for the Arts board member, Beverly Davis; and music industry veteran and owner of Bialek's Music LTD, Ray Bialek.

"Last year's DC event was amazing," says Law Rocks Director of Marketing and Development, Omi Crawford. "The band were excellent and so enthusiastic. It's a thrill to return with an even bigger night in store." Proceeds from tickets sales at the event will be donated to the International Bar Association Human Rights Institute. The fourteen participating bands are also fundraising to benefit area charities and a representative from each organization will speak at the event. The nonprofits are Bridge of Books Foundation, Calvary Women's Services, Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Washington, Central Union Mission, Children's Law Center, Doorways for Women and Families, Epilepsy Society, GoodWeave, HomeAid Northern Virginia, Lex Mundi Pro Bono Foundation, London Air Ambulance, Montgomery County Coalition for the Homeless, MQ, and Together We Bake.

In addition to headlining sponsor, Venable LLP, the concert is being supported by Platinum sponsors 4 New Square; Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP and Shulman, Rogers, Gandal, Pordy, and Ecker LLP. Additional sponsors are 39 Essex Chambers; Blank Rome LLP; Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Megher & Flom LLP & Affiliates; Walsh, Colucci, Lubeley & Walsh PC; Alliance

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The fourteen competing bands feature legal professionals from AFL-CIO; Alliance for Green Heat; Ashurst LLP; Baker & McKenzie; Blank Rome LLP; Boies, Schiller & Flexner LLP; Dentons Rodyk & Davidson LLP; Finnegan, Henderson, Farabow, Garrett & Dunner, LLP; Hogan Lovells US LLP; Howard Kennedy LLP; Ince & Co; Irwin Mitchell LLP; Jorquiera & Rozas; Kenealy Vaidya LLP; Law Offices of Peter C. Hansen, LLC; LexisNexis; McKool Smith; Perkins Coie LLP; Polaris Project; Shulman Rogers Gandal Pordy & Ecker, P.A.; Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP and Affiliates; Steptoe & Johnson LLP; Thomas Miller Americas; Venable LLP; Walsh, Colucci, Lubeley & Walsh PC; and the US Government. Also participating in the event is a special guest band comprised of law students from Catholic University of America Columbus School of Law.

After seeing success from the first concert in London 2009, Law Rocks brought the event to the United States in 2012. “When I started Law Rocks in London seven years ago, I never expected it to become a global organisation,” Nick Child, founder of Law Rocks, commented. “The DC IBA event is Law Rocks at its best – legal professionals from all over the globe coming together to help those less fortunate, while putting on quite a show.”

As an organization, Law Rocks Global has raised over \$1,500,000 for various nonprofits across the world. The Washington DC concert is followed by stops in London, Singapore, Sydney, Melbourne, New York City, and Dubai as part of the 2016 Law Rocks World Tour. For more information, visit the Law Rocks website at lawrocks.org. For any questions or inquiries, please contact Omi Turanchik Crawford, Director of Marketing and Development, at omi@lawrocks.org or (424) 220-4004.

Law Rocks Inc.

Law Rocks’ mission is to promote music education for underprivileged youth and raise funds for local nonprofit organizations by combining the power of music and the generosity of the global legal community. The organization accomplishes their mission through epic battle of the band fundraising concerts in cities across the globe that star legal professionals-turned-rock-stars. Law Rocks is recognized as a non-profit corporation and qualified charity under IRS 501(c)(3). For more information visit lawrocks.org.

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