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Washington SmartCEO Celebrates 30 Powerhouse Women Leaders at the Brava! Awards, July 31

400 CEOs and decision-makers will join SmartCEO in honoring female CEOs at this highly anticipated, high-energy celebration

Washington, DC (May 3, 2013) — Washington SmartCEO recognizes this year's Brava! winners at the 2013 Brava! Awards to take place on Wednesday, July 31 at 6:00 p.m. at the Samuel Riggs Alumni Center. The Brava! Awards celebrate the distinguished achievements of 25 of Greater Washington's women business leaders and five nonprofit leaders. The 2013 Brava! winners will be profiled in the July 2013 issue of *Washington SmartCEO* magazine.

Please see below for a complete list of winners and for program details. To share in the excitement leading up to the event, follow us @SmartCEO #BravaAwards.

The Washington Brava! Awards, now in its seventh year of celebration, kicked off with a nomination process ending in March 2013. Across the Mid-Atlantic, over 200 nominations were collected for the program. To be considered for the Brava! Awards, nominees were required to be women executives leading companies that generated at least \$1 million in revenue and who encourage local philanthropy, mentor fellow CEOs and set their companies on the path to tremendous growth. A group of Greater Washington business leaders came together to form the Brava! committee and to choose this year's winners.

For more information on the Brava! winners, visit www.smartceo.com to view the digital edition of the July 2013 issue.

"The 2013 Brava! winners are an impressive group of women doing exceptional things for our community and beyond. They are the leaders of today and tomorrow – a highly talented group that has the drive to do great things. I am sure we will continue to hear of their success for many, many years to come," says Jaime Nespore, group publisher of *SmartCEO* magazine. "We are honored to recognize such a group of women and their accomplishments."





The winners will be celebrated at the Washington Brava! Awards ceremony on July 31, 2013, at the Samuel Riggs Alumni Center. An expected sell-out event, 400 local C-level executives and guests will attend to celebrate their achievements. Past Brava! winners including members of the Washington Brava! Hall of Fame as well as potential inductees will also be in attendance. Selected past Brava! winners will also be honored with their induction into the Brava! Hall of Fame. The event will kick off with a cocktail reception followed by the awards ceremony and a final toast to the women leaders of Greater Washington. Suit donations will also be accepted the evening of the event for SmartCEO's Washington Brava! Awards charity partner, Suited for Change, an organization which helps low-income women to increase their employment and job retention potential by providing professional attire and contributing to their economic independence.

About SmartCEO

SmartCEO is an exclusive community of CEOs and business executives, highly regarded mentors and well-respected thought leaders whose experiences benefit their organizations and the communities in which they serve. SmartCEO's mission is to educate and inspire the business community through the pages of its award-winning magazine, connections at C-level events and access to valuable online resources.

For more than a decade, SmartCEO has been a leader in helping CEOs tell their stories in print, in person and most recently in-video. SmartCEO's Mid-Atlantic focus began in Baltimore and has grown to include Philadelphia, Washington DC and New York City.

About the Brava! Awards

SmartCEO's Brava! Awards program celebrates top female CEOs who combine their irrepressible entrepreneurial spirit with a passion for giving back to the community. Brava! award winners are exemplary leaders of their companies and in the community who encourage local philanthropy, mentor fellow CEOs and set their companies on the path to tremendous growth. Each year, an independent panel of business leaders selects 30 Brava! winners based on applications submitted. SmartCEO shares their inspiring stories in *SmartCEO* magazine and celebrates their success at an awards celebration.

COMPLETE PROGRAM INFORMATION

2013 Brava! Awards

Date: Wednesday, July 31, 2013

Time: 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Location: Samuel Riggs Alumni Center

University Boulevard East, College Park, MD 20742

Attire: Business Cocktail





2013 Washington Brava! Winners

Michelle A. Bell, PHR, 1st Choice, LLC
Jennifer Seven, 7Company Weight Loss & Wellness Center
Sadhna Agrawal, Astor & Sanders Corporation
Anne McCabe Triana, CAM Private Wealth Services
Cindy Troutman, CGH Technologies, Inc.
Barberina (Babs) D. Doherty, Eagle Ray, Inc.
Angela Y. Moody, EDJ Associates, Inc.
Dr. Smita Siddhanti, EnDyna, Inc.
Nancy J. Slomowitz, Executive Management Associates, Inc.
Bev Gray, Exhibit Edge Inc.
Sabret Flocos, IIDA, LEED AP, FOX Architects
Kerry O'Brien, Germane Systems
Dr. Valaida L. Wise, Harbor School (The)
Dr. Brenda Boone, Human Solutions, Inc.
Vivian Kelly, Interprose Public Relations
Lisa M. Firestone, Managed Care Advisors, Inc. (MCA)
Kathlene Buchanan, Metro Office
Melaine Privitera, Mobius Consulting
Lisa Wise, NEST DC
Nancy E. Scott, Powertek Corporation
Gail Gentile, RevoYOUtion.com
Christine Pierre, Society for Clinical Research Sites
Sonia Sivit-Valdizan, Sparkles! Child Care Centers
Narjis B. Ali, Sure Secure Solutions
Marta C. Wilson, Transformation Systems, Inc.

NONPROFIT WINNERS

Amanda Andere, FACETS
Cindy Hallberlin, Good360
Lisa LaFontaine, Washington Humane Society
Eleni A. Rossides, Washington Tennis & Education Foundation
Shelley S. Murphy, Wesley Housing Development Corporation

To find out more about the 2014 Brava! Awards nomination process, email us at DCprograms@smartceo.com. For tickets and sponsorship opportunities, email us at WashingtonDC@smartceo.com.

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