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**PRESS RELEASE**

## **FCBA AND THE FCBA FOUNDATION TO HOLD 23rd ANNUAL CHARITY AUCTION**

### **Proceeds to Benefit THC – Housing Families, Transforming Lives and the FCBA Foundation**

Washington, D.C. – The Young Lawyers Committee of the Federal Communications Bar Association (FCBA) and the FCBA Foundation will hold their 23rd Annual Charity Auction on Thursday, November 8, 2012, at the Capital Hilton, 1001 16th Street, NW, Washington, D.C., from approximately 7-10 p.m. Admission is free and the event is open to the public.

Proceeds from this year's Auction will benefit two charitable organizations: THC – Housing Families, Transforming Lives and the FCBA Foundation. THC serves D.C.'s homeless and other at-risk children and their families by providing housing and support services. These include rapid re-housing for recently homeless families as well as transitional and permanent supportive housing for families that have been homeless or living in shelters. They couple this assistance with a variety of youth counseling and enrichment services for the children (including homework support, tutoring, mentoring, and wellness education), and they provide employment, mental health, and substance abuse counseling for their parents. THC Affordable Housing (THCAH), an affiliate of THC, renovated Fort View and Webster Gardens Apartments in 2011 that provide 114 units of affordable rental housing including 34 units for very low income families. Over the past 22 years, THC has established a great track record of giving D.C. families the tools and support they need to break the cycle of poverty and establish economic independence in safe and stable housing environments.

The Charity Auction is one of Washington, D.C.'s premier "must-attend" events for the communications industry. The event features a live auction hosted by a professional auctioneer, silent auctions, and raffle drawings. Attendees should expect surprises and new and exciting prizes building on last year's record-setting event (more than \$137,000 raised), including vacation packages; electronics; tickets to Verizon Center events, concerts, theater shows, and various sporting events (including Redskins, Wizards, Capitals, and Nationals games); dinners; lunches; spa packages; and gift certificates from area businesses.

Over the past 22 years, the Charity Auction has raised more than \$1.2 million for D.C.-based organizations, including Pediatric AIDS/HIV Care, Inc., the D.C. Children's Advocacy Center, STEP/I Have a Dream, the Charitable Coalition for Children with Cancer, Kids Enjoy Exercise Now, Fair Chance, Kid Power-DC, Horton's Kids, Bright Beginnings, Project Wait No Longer, and Sitar Arts Center.

**Further Information:** If you have any questions about the Charity Auction or the Sponsorship process, please contact Kerry Loughney at (202) 293-4000 or at [kerry@fcba.org](mailto:kerry@fcba.org).

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