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**NEWS RELEASE**

**Vice President and Associate General Counsel at ARAMARK, Richard Negrin,  
will be the Honoree at Hispanic Attorneys Annual Scholarship Reception**

Richard Negrin is Vice President, Associate General Counsel, and a member of the Executive Leadership Council of ARAMARK Corporation. Specifically, Mr. Negrin serves as general counsel and manages the legal teams for ARAMARK's Healthcare and Correctional Services Divisions, which generate approximately \$ 2.4 billion in annual revenue. He is a member of the senior executive team directly counseling the line of business President and CFO. Prior to joining ARAMARK, Mr. Negrin was a litigator with the global law firm of Morgan, Lewis & Bockius, LLP, where he concentrated his practice in the representation of corporations in various facets of civil, administrative and criminal proceedings, including internal investigations, agency investigations, grand jury proceedings, healthcare and False Claims Act actions, and other civil enforcement actions. Prior to joining Morgan Lewis, Mr. Negrin was a prosecutor in the Major Trials Unit of the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, where he handled several high-profile cases including significant Hate Crimes cases and the aggravated assault upon former Philadelphia Police Commissioner John Timoney.

Mr. Negrin has been a strong proponent of diversity in the legal profession and is a frequent lecturer on various topics related to in-house practice, ethics and compliance, community involvement and trial advocacy. In 2008, Mr. Negrin joined the Board of the Philadelphia Foundation, where he currently serves as Chair of the Finance and Audit Committee. Mr. Negrin is also Vice-Chair of the new independent Philadelphia Board of Ethics. In 2003, Mr. Negrin was appointed by Governor Rendell to serve as Chairman of the Pennsylvania Commission on Crime & Delinquency's Homeland Security Advisory Committee.

Mr. Negrin is a former President of the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania (HBA) and has served on the Board of the HBA's Legal Education Fund. Mr. Negrin has also been active in the Hispanic National Bar Association, where he served as Regional President and co-chair of the United States Supreme Court Committee. He has served as a member of the Board of Directors for a number of community based organizations including Congreso de Latinos Unidos, where he served as Chair of the Governance Committee. He has also served on the boards of the American Red Cross of Southeastern Pennsylvania, Community Legal Services and the Greater Philadelphia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce.

From 2001 to 2005, he also served as pro bono General Counsel to a national non-profit organization, Families of Spinal Muscular Atrophy ("FSMA"), which raises awareness and research funding to combat Spinal Muscular Atrophy ("SMA"). Mr. Negrin's daughter Abigail was diagnosed with SMA in 2001 and was lost to the disease in 2006. SMA afflicts more than

6,000 children each year claiming most of their lives prior to the age of two. It is the number one genetic killer of children at that early age. Mr. Negrin was a founder of FSMA's Pennsylvania Chapter, which has raised more than half a million dollars for research in the last few years.

Mr. Negrin has been the recipient of numerous honors and was designated a Pennsylvania "Super Lawyer" by Philadelphia Magazine. He was recognized by the Pennsylvania Law Weekly in their "50 On the Fast Track" supplement as one of "the brightest people under 40 years old practicing law in Pennsylvania." Recently, Mr. Negrin was recognized as one of the Delaware Valley's "Most Influential" by the Council of Spanish Speaking Organizations, Impacto Magazine, and Philadelphia's Multicultural Affairs Congress.

Mr. Negrin is a graduate of Rutgers University School of Law, where he was the recipient of the Richard L. Barbour, Jr. Memorial Award, and one of three students selected to represent the law school at the National Moot Court Competition. He received his Bachelor's degree in political science from Wagner College where he received the Pre-Law Prize for academic excellence. During college, Mr. Negrin was a consensus football all-American and served as captain of the football team, helping to lead them to the small college National Championship in 1987. After college, Mr. Negrin played briefly in the National Football League, signing contracts with the Cleveland Browns in 1988, and the New York Jets in 1989.

Mr. Negrin will be the Honoree at the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Scholarship Reception held by the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania Legal Education Fund (HBA-LEF), the charitable arm of the Hispanic Bar Association of Pennsylvania. Each year, the HBA-LEF hosts a reception to fund scholarships for area law students. Past honorees have included Varsovia Fernandez, President and CEO of the Greater Philadelphia Hispanic Chamber of Commerce and the Honorable Nelson A. Diaz, now Of Counsel at Cozen O'Connor. This year's HBA-LEF Annual Scholarship Reception will take place on October 14, 2009 at the University of the Arts in Philadelphia. Information about HBA and the HBA-LEF may be found on our website, [www.hbapa.com](http://www.hbapa.com). Anyone interested in attending the event or contributing to the scholarship fund can contact Marlene Gomez at (215) 864-8229 or [gomezm@ballardspahr.com](mailto:gomezm@ballardspahr.com).