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Georgia Association for Women Lawyers Hosts Arabian Nights Gala on August 15
First Fundraiser for the Ruth and Ruby Crawford Endowment of the GAWL's Foundation

ATLANTA (August 3, 2009) – On Saturday, August 15, the Georgia Association for Women Lawyers (GAWL, see www.gawl.org) will host its first benefit gala at the Michael C. Carlos Museum at Emory University. By hosting this uniquely-themed Arabian Nights Gala, GAWL also hopes to raise funds for the Ruth and Ruby Crawford Endowment of the GAWL Foundation. This Endowment was recently re-named to honor the memory of Ruth and Ruby Crawford, the beloved and admired twin sisters who both served as president of GAWL and who are widely recognized as trailblazers for professional women in Georgia.

The GAWL Foundation's Ruth and Ruby Crawford Endowment will provide sustained funding for scholarships for deserving female law students in Georgia. In addition, the Endowment provides grants to other charitable organizations throughout the state that support women and children.

The Arabian Nights Gala will transport guests to the mysterious and magnificent world of Scheherazade and 1001 Nights. There will be live jazz music by Nicole Chillemi, opportunities to explore the Michael C. Carlos Museum's exhibits and even a chance to visit a true fortune teller. Tickets include complimentary cocktails and heavy hors d'oeuvres throughout the evening, starting at 7 p.m. on August 15. IKON and Greenberg Traurig are the main corporate sponsors of the 2009 event.

"We are confident that this Gala will become an annual tradition in Atlanta," notes Jennifer Giles, attorney at Aussenberg Waggoner LLP, who is in charge of the Arabian Nights Gala. "This spectacular event will benefit the GAWL Foundation's charitable work in the community, in particular the Ruth and Ruby Crawford Endowment. In addition to awarding scholarships to deserving women law students, the Foundation now spearheads all community service projects on behalf of GAWL."

To purchase tickets or to donate online, please visit www.gawl.org. A few tickets are still available priced at \$100 per ticket or \$175 for two. For public interest, government attorneys and law students the rates drop to \$70 each or \$115 for two tickets.

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About GAWL

The Georgia Association for Women Lawyers (GAWL) was founded in 1928 as the voice for women lawyers in Georgia and as the springboard for women lawyers to become leaders in their communities and the legal profession. Currently, GAWL includes almost 1,100 active members throughout the State. GAWL is Georgia's premier networking organization for women lawyers and provides members with opportunities to develop leadership skills, build a personal referral source for business, establish an individual niche in Georgia's legal community and enjoy social events.

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