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Unwavering Dedication, Extraordinary Results:

Orrick's 2012 Report on Community Responsibility



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As a firm, we believe in the **power of pro bono** to make lasting change. Orrick strategically allocates its pro bono resources to ensure that each lawyer's work has the **maximum impact for the client and the community**. In recognition of this strategy, Orrick was named in *Law360's* Pro Bono Firms of 2012, placed 10th nationwide in *The American Lawyer's* 2012 Pro Bono Survey and was selected for *The Recorder's* elite list of the top 10 Pro Bono Achievers in Northern California. Orrick's pro bono program has been praised for the dedication of its lawyers to **supporting diverse causes with tangible results**, including high-profile immigration disputes, civil rights litigation and grassroots global development through an innovative social sector finance initiative.



I. / Dynamic Transactional Pro Bono Work

Orrick lawyers engage in diverse and sophisticated pro bono work that involves a significant percentage of its transactional lawyers representing clients in the social sector, including small business owners and nonprofit organizations around the world.

The Social Sector Finance Team

Orrick's Social Sector Finance team represents nonprofit organizations and social entrepreneurs in financing transactions and also offers advice on complex regulatory matters to clients who deliver microfinance, clean water, education, renewable energy, affordable housing, health care and other basic needs to the world's poor. Highlights from 2012 include:

- **Our lawyers represented** Accion, a world pioneer in microfinance, in the rescue of an Indian-based microfinance organization.
- **We advised** a start-up company that delivers solar power to the poor through an online platform similar to that of Orrick client Kiva.
- **An Orrick team completed** an innovative financing transaction for Vittana—which pioneered the concept of student microloans four years ago, as issuer, on a low seven-figure debt issuance backed by a loan and guarantee—to deliver educational opportunities to those who otherwise would not be able to access them.
- **Orrick supported** the Calvert Foundation, a long-standing client, that underwrote an innovative medical credit fund providing debt capital to health clinics in Sub-Saharan Africa, the world's poorest region.



Impact Work for Social Entrepreneurs and Low-Income, Small Business Owners

Orrick lawyers regularly represent social entrepreneurs addressing major social problems and low-income, small business owners starting and expanding businesses that provide employment to those less fortunate. One example is Tiny Kitchen, a small business that makes naturally crafted fountain beverages and sells them to food retailers. Orrick's corporate and intellectual property lawyers helped with the company's formation, investment into the company and a wide range of intellectual property needs. As a result, the company is poised to hire a significant number of employees and have tremendous community impact.

Full Service to Nonprofit Organizations

Over the past year, Orrick lawyers in Europe have provided substantial support to Transparency International (TI), a nonprofit

that, through more than 90 national chapters worldwide and an International Secretariat in Berlin, raises awareness of the damaging effects of corruption and works with partners in government, business and civil society to develop and implement effective measures to tackle it. The projects that our lawyers assisted the organization with included: (i) providing advice on the reorganization of the client's internal management and organizational structures and the funds it manages in response to its rapid growth over the last few years, as

well as addressing the needs of its new strategy; (ii) conducting a basic legal audit to ensure the organization is compliant with German law based on its key governance structures and processes; (iii) advising on the use of the power of attorney under German law; (iv) translating a new law for TI's German National Chapter; and (v) assisting the U.K. TI chapter in publishing a report on the transparency of major defense companies, an initiative that has gained significant media attention.

II. / Litigation With Tremendous Reach and Impact

Orrick lawyers regularly volunteer in family court, housing court, immigration court, other administrative courts, state and federal district courts and appellate courts, including the U.S. Supreme Court, serving needy clients who often face the loss of a primary right—sometimes even their lives. Litigation highlights from 2012 include:

- **After more than two years of intense litigation, Orrick prevailed** in a significant federal case involving contaminated drinking water in Dickson, Tennessee, which affected an entire community. With Orrick's assistance, the case settled on the eve of trial. The consent decree provides for a \$5 million remedy fund that will be used to establish a scientifically justified environmental risk area, provide free public water connections to people who live within that area and establish a monitoring program to detect further spread of contamination from the landfill.
- **An Orrick team convinced** a judge to issue an extremely rare finding of actual innocence in a federal habeas case on behalf of a pro bono client who has been incarcerated for 15 years in connection with a fatal arson fire. This finding allows the client to present his substantive habeas claims to the court with an aim toward ultimately winning his freedom.
- **Orrick lawyers helped** to free a client on parole after serving more than 16 years in prison for having been convicted of failing to protect her infant daughter from her abusive boyfriend—the baby's father—who killed their daughter while she was sleeping. The client had received the same criminal sentence as the father even though the client was a victim of severe domestic violence.
- **In a case receiving significant media attention, our lawyers briefed** and successfully argued a motion for a client from Yemen detained at Guantanamo Bay (GTMO) in which the federal court judge issued a strong rebuke against the

U.S. government and refused to change the rules that have long governed communication and meetings between GTMO detainees and their lawyers.

- An Orrick team successfully prosecuted an appeal for an immigrant who was deported from the United States seven years ago on the grounds that he was not a U.S. citizen. In reversing the immigration judge's decision,

the Circuit Court ruled that the client (who was born in England in the 1950s to a U.S. serviceman father and an English mother) should not have been deported because he was entitled to U.S. citizenship under the intricate statutory scheme for establishing citizenship for children born abroad of a U.S. citizen father.



Orrick's pro bono program has been praised for the dedication of its lawyers



III. / Human Rights and Public Policy Work

Orrick regularly takes on innovative human rights and public policy work that allows lawyers from all practice groups to collaborate on interesting domestic and international projects. For example, Orrick worked with the Women's Refugee Commission to investigate the causes of the rapid increase in non-citizen children seeking to enter the United States from Central America and to make practical recommendations to resolve the crisis. Orrick team members traveled to speak to children at shelters, met with service providers and government officials, and assisted in drafting a report that received significant praise and attention. Orrick lawyers also advised the Public

International Law and Policy Group—a 2005 Nobel prize nominee—on many complex and important public international law issues facing countries in the Middle East aspiring to become democracies, including Egypt, Libya, Syria and Tunisia.



IV. Community Responsibility: Fostering Our Educational Partnerships

The Children's Storefront – New York

Orrick continues to strengthen its long-term relationship with this independent private school in Harlem that provides a superior free education to students in the poorest community school district in New York City. Orrick staff and lawyers provide books to the children on their birthdays and work to enhance the beauty of the school's garden and other facilities. In addition, Orrick lawyers provide the school, its staff and parents with pro bono legal support in a wide variety of litigation and transactional matters. One of Orrick's partners is a Storefront Trustee, and the firm provides significant financial support to the school as well.

Oak Ridge Elementary School – Sacramento

Orrick's Sacramento office has a long-standing partnership with Oak Ridge Elementary School. The office started this partnership in 2005 and has continued to maintain programs, build relationships with students, teachers and staff, and aid in providing students with a rich learning environment. Our main objective is to use our resources creatively to provide vital community support to this Title 1 school, including incentive awards to foster morale; purchasing t-shirt uniforms for the students, teachers and staff; enriching performing arts through the sponsorship of productions presented by Fantasy Theater; inviting Oak Ridge students to participate in our "Take Your Student to Work Day" activities; sponsoring and chaperoning the 6th grade classes at Alliance Redwoods science camp; and volunteering and tutoring in classrooms.

Bessie Carmichael Elementary School – San Francisco

Orrick has supported the Bessie Carmichael Elementary School in the firm's neighborhood for many years, providing significant financial contributions and volunteer hours to help enrich after-school events, which are a highlight for the children and parents in this diverse community.

Mural Music & Arts Project – San Francisco

Orrick has played an essential role in supporting the growth of the Mural Music & Arts Project (MMAP), a leading youth development organization aimed at educating, empowering and inspiring Bay Area youth through participation in the arts. In the face of low educational attainment and high unemployment in the area, Orrick has provided MMAP youth with invaluable opportunities to connect with supportive adults, engage in their community and in the professional world, gain employment experience and obtain exposure to new opportunities. To date, MMAP has served more than 2,500 youth, reached more than 23,000 individuals through community events and created a public arts legacy through visual and performing arts.

Friends of the Children of King County – Seattle

Friends of the Children of King County has a long history with Orrick lawyers and staff. Friends uses a unique, long-term mentoring model, working with teachers and social workers to identify children who, based on their home lives, will eventually be most at-risk for becoming parents at early ages, dropping out

of high school, entering the juvenile justice system or becoming chemically dependent. Using private funding, Friends employs a staff of full-time mentors who commit to spending a minimum of four hours each week with a child for 12 years—kindergarten through high school graduation. An Orrick lawyer is a board member, and Friends has benefited from the firm’s charitable contributions and pro bono work.

Changlin Primary School – Shanghai

Orrick has provided Changlin Primary School—an elementary school that serves a very poor population in one of China’s largest cities—with extensive support in the form of computers, volunteers to create and organize a library, tutoring and other assistance. The firm’s impact is tangible on the everyday educational

experience of these young children, enhancing their chances to succeed.

Global Operations Center (GOC) Scholarship Program – Wheeling

Orrick’s GOC Scholarship Program supports the mission of the firm’s Community Responsibility Program by providing educational opportunities to those who would not otherwise have access, encouraging scholars to dedicate their personal and professional lives to improving the quality of life for the people in their home communities, and developing leaders who can address the economic needs of the local community. To date, eight scholarships have been awarded to talented and motivated students.

V. Sustainability

Orrick is a leader in sustainability efforts. Notable highlights of our efforts include:

- Orrick joined the “Law Firm Sustainability Network,” which shares experiences and develops common environmental sustainability guidelines for the legal industry.
- In our third year as a WasteWise Partner in the ABA-EPA Law Office Climate Challenge, Waste Reduction and Recycled Product activities at our Global Operations Center increased 23 percent from 2011 statistics.
- In a unique partnership, our San Francisco office and Langley Investment Properties used compost from the Orrick Building to fertilize Northern California’s winery crops.

VI. Crisis Response

Orrick was quick to provide incredibly meaningful and impactful service to the victims—including many of our New York office personnel—of Hurricane Sandy a storm that devastated much of the New York and New Jersey coasts. Orrick lawyers led trainings for other pro bono attorneys and also represented clients in various difficult legal matters, ranging from FEMA assistance to issues involving contracts, insurance, employment and more. The firm also provided a dollar-for-dollar match for employee contributions to the Mayor’s Fund to Advance New York City. In addition, the Global Operations Center collected donations—including cleaning supplies, nonperishable food, batteries, toiletries, blankets and warm clothing—from Orrick employees and the Ohio Valley community.

About Orrick

Orrick is a global law firm with a particular focus on serving companies in the technology, energy and financial sectors. Founded in San Francisco and celebrating its 150th anniversary in 2013, Orrick is recognized by *Law360* as one of the “Global 20” leading firms. The firm offers clients a distinctive combination of local insight and consistent global quality across 25 offices. Orrick lawyers are known for delivering commercially oriented advice on sophisticated transactions and have an extraordinary record of wins in high-stakes disputes. *Chambers Global* cites Orrick for leadership across 39 practice areas and recognizes 86 Orrick lawyers worldwide as leading practitioners. Selected by *Financial Times* among the top-five most innovative U.S. law firms, Orrick was the only one of the five firms cited for innovation in both legal advice and the business of law. Collaboration – one of the firm’s core values – defines the firm’s relationships with its clients, among its lawyers and staff, and with its communities.

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