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**The Chairmen's RoundTable Adds Sheppard Mullin as Newest Sponsor**

***- AmLaw 100 national law firm embraces CRT's mission -***

San Diego, CA – August 7, 2006 – The Chairmen's RoundTable (CRT), a San Diego-based, non-profit volunteer organization that provides gratis business advice and mentorship to local, private businesses, today announced that Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP, a full service national law firm, has signed on as the newest sponsor of CRT.

"We are very pleased to be a part of the Chairmen's Roundtable. The CRT provides our firm with the opportunity to work with companies on the rise in San Diego. The businesses that participate in the CRT have set high goals, have a drive to succeed and an openness to acquire the advice and experience that CRT mentors can provide. Our goal is to not only provide exceptional legal advice, but to provide our clients with added value in understanding and assisting them with their business strategies. CRT will give our firm a unique opportunity to provide our clients with access to invaluable business guidance from the CEO mentors at CRT, in addition to the advice we provide from a legal perspective," said Michael Orlando, member of the Corporate Practice Group at Sheppard Mullin Richter & Hampton LLP's Del Mar office.

"Support from firms of the caliber of Sheppard Mullin helps to validate what we are doing at the CRT," said Tom Dorosewicz, Chairman of the Chairmen's RoundTable. "They provide sponsorship because they recognize the value of what we are providing, see the opportunity they can bring to their clients, and are inspired by our mission."

***About Sheppard Mullin***

Sheppard Mullin is a full service AmLaw 100 national law firm with more than 480 attorneys throughout nine offices located throughout California and in [New York](#) and [Washington, D.C.](#) The firm's California offices are located in [Los Angeles](#), [San Francisco](#), [Santa Barbara](#), [Century City](#), [Orange County](#), [Del Mar Heights](#) and [San Diego](#). Sheppard Mullin represents companies in a variety of industries, such as information technology, life sciences, healthcare, specialty retail and consumer goods, including 55 of the Fortune 100 companies. The attorneys in the firm's Del Mar office represent emerging and high growth companies and provide a broad range of legal services to start-up and emerging companies to meet their needs, from formation to liquidity.

***About Chairmen's RoundTable***

The Chairmen's RoundTable is a non-profit volunteer organization comprised of 40+ current and former Chief Executive Officers with extensive board of director experience and diverse industry backgrounds. They provide businesses in San Diego County priceless business advice and mentorship free of charge, as a way of giving back to the community. CRT's well-defined mentoring program is ideal for companies at a strategic crossroads that are looking to gain an outside perspective on key business issues. To date, more than 150 local companies have benefited from CRT's mentorship. For more information and to read about past client successes, please visit [www.chairmensroundtable.com](http://www.chairmensroundtable.com).

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