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Crowell & Moring Establishes Endowed Diversity Scholarship at the University of California, Irvine School of Law

Washington, D.C. — **December 18, 2015:** Crowell & Moring LLP is pleased to announce that it has established an endowed diversity scholarship at the University of California, Irvine School of Law (UCI Law). The firm will select one law student every three years from a pool of qualified applicants, consistent with the firm's commitment to diversity and inclusion.

"UCI Law is unquestionably a top law school in the country and the leading law school in Orange County," said <u>Steven D. Allison</u>, head of Crowell & Moring's Orange County office. "We believe that a culture of inclusion makes stronger lawyers, inspires innovation and encourages teamwork. We are proud to promote these values by supporting the next generation of attorneys joining our profession through UCI Law."

"We are grateful for the wonderful support from Crowell & Moring and look forward to a continuing relationship deepening our commitment to diversity in legal education and the legal profession," said Erwin Chemerinsky, Dean of UCI Law.

Crowell & Moring is consistently recognized for diversity and inclusion. It has received a 100 percent ranking for the fifth consecutive year on the Human Rights Campaign's (HCR) Corporate Equality Index. It was also included among the "50 Best Law Firms for Women" by *Working Mother* and the National Association for Female Executives (NAFE) Flex Time Lawyers for the fourth consecutive year.

"We are a multinational firm that embraces different backgrounds, ideas, traditions, and perspectives," said Monica G. Parham, Crowell & Moring's diversity counsel. "This scholarship is one small step in ensuring that young, talented students of all backgrounds have a sturdy stepping stone to professional success."

The University of California, Irvine School of Law was established in 2009 as the first new public law school in California in more than 40 years. UCI Law seeks to create the ideal law school for the 21st

century by training lawyers for the practice of law at the highest levels of the profession. Earlier this year, UCI Law was ranked by *U.S. News & World Report* as number 30 out of 198 fully accredited law schools in the country. This is the highest debut ranking of any new law school in the history of the *U.S. News & World Report* rankings. In addition, *U.S. News & World Report* ranked the school in the "Top 10" in its Student Diversity Index.

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