PLEASE NOTE NEW ADDRESS

PW RETIRED PARTNERS’ ORGANIZING COMMITTEE

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Dear Partners:

Those of you who attended the 2017 PW Retired Partners Reunion at the Fairmont Le Chateau Frontenac in Quebec know that it was an outstanding event. The weather was great, and the hotel and service were superb. In fact, many have said it was the best event of its kind thus far.

Those in attendance in Quebec heard that PwC’s Retired Partners Committee (RPC) is considering a PwC-sponsored firm wide Retired Partners Meeting. It was suggested that our Quebec meeting might therefore be the last of its kind. The feedback from those in attendance at Quebec was very loud and clearly received – the strong message was to continue this legacy PW reunion event, regardless of what events PwC might have for the retired partners of both legacy firms combined. **The VERY GOOD NEWS is that the PW Retired Partners Reunions will continue!!** At its meeting in November 2017, the RPC endorsed and encouraged the continuation of the legacy PW Reunion. In addition, PwC offered to assist us with certain logistical issues, such as contract negotiation and assistance with mailings, etc.

You most likely have received a separate email from the RPC asking for your input regarding a firm wide Retired Partners Meeting to be held in 2020. That event is being organized separately (although the respective organizers have shared openly with each other regarding dates, etc.). Your attendance at either/both events is entirely up to you. For my part, I plan to attend both events – the PW Reunion in 2019 and the PwC Retired Partners Meeting in 2020.

 So, it is now time to turn our attention to the 2019 PW Reunion which will be held in the West, as we attempt to balance these events in different locations. We asked the 25-member Organizing Committee, as well as those in attendance at the 2017 Reunion, for suggestions of specific hotels/resorts to consider. We sent proposal requests to 22 hotels/resorts and, thanks to the help of PwC’s meeting planners, received responses from all of them. After careful review of the proposal responses, associated

pricing and availability, as well as hotel/resort ratings and reputation, the list was reduced to 9 and included the following:

 The Broadmoor, Colorado Springs

 Ritz Carlton, Laguna Niguel

 Ritz Carlton, Rancho Mirage, Palm Springs

 Arizona Biltmore, Phoenix

 The Phoenician, Phoenix

 Hotel del Coronado, San Diego

Park Hyatt Aviara, San Diego

Pan Pacific, Vancouver, British Columbia

Fairmont Empress, Victoria, British Columbia

 We then asked the Organizing Committee Members to vote for three of the remaining sites. The **Arizona Biltmore**, a wonderful facility located in Phoenix, and the site of many PW Partner meetings over the course of several decades, was the clear and overwhelming winner. The following link will take you to the hotel website where you can see for yourself what a great facility this is: [View Website](http://arizonabiltmore.com/?WT.mc_id=1WA2HHC3SearchResults4Homepage6PHXBMWA7LocalSite).

Therefore, the next Reunion will be at the **Arizona Biltmore in Phoenix from October 24, 2019 to October 27, 2019.** Please note that we have selected dates in late October since the weather should be more comfortable in Phoenix in late October than in late August, as well as a desire to avoid both Labor Day and the Jewish holidays of Rosh Hashanah and Yom Kippur.

 The cost of the ***basic*** package (sleeping rooms for three nights – Thursday, Friday and Saturday, cocktails and dinner on Thursday evening, breakfast buffet Friday morning, cocktails and lunch on Friday and cocktails and dinner-dance on Saturday evening) is $2,600.00 per couple and $1,800.00 for single individuals. In response to requests from previous attendees, we have negotiated two different room rate packages, with the size and type of room view being the principal determining factors in the room rate. There is no need to indicate your room preferences at this point – we will be requesting this information later.

 In addition to the basic package, we will also offer, as we have previously, an optional Saturday tour and luncheon. As many of you know from prior experiences at the Arizona Biltmore, there are two outstanding golf courses on site, so golf will also be available on Friday afternoon and on Saturday, for those who are interested.

 We need to firm up the number of rooms we need by **MAY 25, 2018.** Accordingly, if you wish to reserve a space, please send a check for **$500.00**, together with the enclosed reply form, no later than **MAY 25, 2018** to the following address:

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*The checks should be made payable to the PW Retired Partners’ Organizing Committee.*

Please also complete the enclosed reservation form and return it with the check. We will be requesting an additional deposit of $750.00 per person ($1,500 per couple) by November 30, 2018, with the balance due by June 30, 2019. **WHILE WE HAVE BEEN ABLE TO HONOR CANCELLATION REQUESTS BY REFUNDING ALL DEPOSITS FOR EVERY REUNION BUT ONE, WE CANNOT GUARANTEE REFUNDS FOR CANCELLATION. REFUNDS, IF ANY, WILL BE MADE FOLLOWING THE REUNION AND A FINAL ACCOUNTING.**

I look forward to seeing you in Phoenix in October 2019.

 Sincerely,

 

Gary R. Claus

Enclosure – As stated

P.S. In the interest of maintaining an adequate system of financial oversight, we

will be sending the Members of the Organizing Committee the December 31,

2017, financial statements prepared by our independent CPAs, Lally & Co., LLP.