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Shumaker's Longstanding Commitment to the Tampa Bay Bowl Deepens with Election of Mindi Richter to the Board of Directors

TAMPA, FL – Tampa Partner and Intellectual Property and Technology Regional Service Line Leader Mindi Richter has been elected to the Tampa Bay Bowl Board of Directors, continuing Shumaker's 29-year commitment to the Southeastern Conference-Big Ten matchup played annually at Raymond James Stadium. Mindi also serves as a member of the Team Selection Committee for the bowl, which has been part of the prestigious New Year's Day bowl lineup since 1989. Shumaker's involvement with the Tampa Bay Bowl dates back to 1993.

"Mindi combines her vast experience with unmatched enthusiasm," noted Board Chair Troy Atlas. "We are excited to have her as a part of our team."

"I am really looking forward to this role on the board and continuing to carry on the firm's support for such a landmark sporting event in Tampa Bay that helps our community in a number of ways," Mindi said.

In addition to Mindi's contributions, Partner Todd Timmerman currently serves as Vice Chair for Pinellas County on the Executive Committee, and he sits on the Team Selection Committee for the bowl.

For 36 years, the Tampa Bay Bowl has contributed more than \$164 million combined to universities and has generated an estimate of more than \$1.1 billion in economic impact for the Tampa Bay region over its history. In addition to the millions of dollars provided to universities each year, the bowl also started a

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Charitable Giving Initiative in 2016 to provide additional contributions to Tampa Bay area charities each year. More than \$3 million has been donated to more than 140 charitable organizations through this program, including \$500,000 in 2022. The bowl has also pledged additional donations of at least \$500,000 each year for at least the next three years.

Mindi is Board Certified by the Florida Bar as an Intellectual Property Law Specialist. An experienced trial lawyer, Mindi litigates intellectual property cases of all types around the country, including claims such as trademark, patent, and copyright infringement, as well as trade secret misappropriation, unfair competition, and domain name disputes. Mindi also frequently handles trademark cases before the Trademark Trial and Appeal Board of the United States Patent and Trademark Office.

In addition to litigation, Mindi has a vast amount of experience in transactional intellectual property matters. She routinely counsels clients in developing patent, copyright, and trademark portfolios and handles trademark and copyright prosecution matters. Mindi also guides clients in negotiating, developing and drafting licenses, assignments, and other intellectual property contracts. In addition, Mindi frequently evaluates the intellectual property aspects of mergers, acquisitions, and financings.