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SUZIE SCANLON RABINOWITZ RECEIVES TRAILBLAZER AWARD FROM NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF MINORITY AND WOMEN OWNED LAW FIRMS

Innovative founder of women owned and managed SRD Legal Group recognized for leadership in promoting a more diverse, equitable and inclusive legal industry

NEW YORK, New York - Suzie Scanlon Rabinowitz, the founder and managing director of <u>SRD Legal</u> <u>Group</u> (SRD), received the prestigious "Emery K. Harlan Trailblazer Award" from the <u>National Association</u> <u>of Minority and Women Owned Law Firms</u> (**NAMWOLF**) at the annual meeting in Baltimore, Maryland last month. The honor recognizes Scanlon Rabinowitz for creating a unique virtual law firm that fosters a more diverse, equitable and inclusive culture and workforce, her leadership among women and minority owned businesses and advocacy for legal system change within the industry at large.

Scanlon Rabinowitz, a pioneer in the virtual law firm space for more than twenty years, founded **SRD Legal Group** in 2015 with an innovative virtual operating model designed to attract and retain highly credentialed and experienced attorneys who need greater flexibility than the traditional law firm model, while also creating efficient, cost-effective legal solutions for business clients. The unique model was directly developed by participation in the <u>Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses program</u>.

Since its inception, the women owned and managed law firm now has 85 attorneys, based all over the world, providing a full range of customized legal solutions to business clients ranging from Fortune 500 companies to late-stage start-ups. SRD has been a NAMWOLF member since 2015. Scanlon Rabinowitz also uniquely champions hiring military spouses at SRD and is a proud member of <u>Homefront to Hired</u> and advocate of <u>The Military Spouse JD Network</u>. Currently, over 30% of the attorneys and legal service staff are military spouses.

"Suzie Scanlon Rabinowitz is a game changer. Her bold thinking and relentless pursuit of pioneering new pathways and opportunities in our industry serves as a model for what's possible for minority and women owned law firms." said NAMWOLF CEO Leslie Davis.

"NAMWOLF has created a powerful space for pushing boundaries, collaboration and learning from one another and I am deeply honored to receive this award among my esteemed peers," said Suzie Scanlon Rabinowitz, managing director, SRD Legal Group. "Diversity is a core value of SRD Legal Group from the beginning, and it informs our culture, our team, our relationships, while strengthening our ability to deliver high quality legal services. I am proud of what we've accomplished, and yet there's much more to do to transform the legal industry, which is what motivates, challenges, and inspires me."

"The entrepreneurial business vision and inclusive culture at SRD Legal Group is what Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses initiative is all about," said Joe Beukers, Vice President, Strategic Sourcing - Legal, Goldman Sachs. "This is a terrific example of how small businesses can make a powerful difference in the world."

Scanlon Rabinowitz also serves on the Board of <u>C200</u>, whose mission is to inspire, educate, celebrate, and advance women entrepreneurs and corporate leaders. For more information on Suzie Scanlon Rabinowitz and SRD Legal Group please visit <u>https://srdlegalgroup.com/</u>

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SRD Legal Group (SRD) is a fully women-owned and managed legal services firm on a mission to change the practice of law. SRD's virtual operating model established in 2015 was designed to attract and retain highly credentialed, well-trained attorneys who wish to practice sophisticated law though need greater flexibility than offered by the traditional model. With access to experienced lawyers who seamlessly deliver sustainable legal solutions, clients ranging from Fortune 500 corporations to late-stage start-ups derive unique value from flexible, efficient, and cost-effective approach to legal services. SRD is certified as a **Women-Owned business**, a proud member of **NAMWOLF**, and a proud partner of **Homefront for Hire** and advocate of the **Military Spouse JD Network**. SRD's business model and concept were directly developed as a result of participation in **Goldman Sachs 10,000 Small Businesses**. For more information visit <u>http:srdlegalgroup.com</u>

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