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ORANGE COUNTY COMMUNITY FOUNDATION APPOINTS JOHN M. WILLIAMS TO ITS BOARD OF GOVERNORS

Partner at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher Brings Over 25 Years of Legal Expertise, Business Savvy and Leadership to the Nonprofit's Board of Directors

NEWPORT BEACH, Calif. (May 22, 2018) – The Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) recently appointed John M. Williams III, partner at Gibson, Dunn & Crutcher's Orange County office, to its board of governors. Williams has extensive knowledge in representing private equity funds, business owners and boards of directors for both public and private companies, as well as a long history of leadership in the local nonprofit sector.

Williams, a San Juan Capistrano resident, has been involved with numerous nonprofits throughout Orange County including Boy Scouts of America, the Ocean Institute and Court Appointed Special Advocates. He currently serves as the Chair of the Social Sciences Dean's Leadership Society at the University of California, Irvine, where he was also recognized, along with his wife of 25 years, as the Outstanding Alumni from the School of Social Sciences in 2017. Williams is also involved with the Boys & Girls Club of Capistrano Valley, where he serves on the Advisory Board and the Boys & Girls Club of Central Orange Coast, where he provides pro bono legal assistance.

Williams' work throughout his over 25-year career has included domestic and cross-border mergers, stock and asset acquisitions, joint ventures and restructurings. He also is experienced in public and private financing transactions, advising boards of directors in corporate governance, securities compliance and general corporate matters. His work with various industries, including hospitality, energy, consumer, sports, life sciences, communications, technology and industrial, have allowed him to fine tune his professional skills, which is why members of the Southern California legal community selected Williams to be included in *The Best Lawyers in America* every year since 2008.

Williams received his law degree from Georgetown University. He also holds a master's degree in public administration with an emphasis in intergovernmental management from the University of Southern California and a bachelor's degree in arts and political science from the University of California, Irvine.

About Orange County Community Foundation

Founded in 1989, the Orange County Community Foundation (OCCF) works with donors, strengthens the local nonprofit sector and works to find solutions to community needs. Since its inception, OCCF has awarded \$510 million in grants and scholarships and ranks among the top 10 percent in asset size among more than 780 U.S. community foundations. For more information, visit oc-cf.org or call 949-553-4202. Be a part of our conversation on [Facebook](#), [Twitter](#) and [Instagram](#). View OCCF's 2017 annual report [here](#).

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