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Mayor Greg Stanton to Join Arizona Summit Law School Faculty as Adjunct Distinguished Lecturer-in-Residence for Fall 2014

Phoenix Mayor to teach Designing Land-Use Policies, providing students real-world instruction and insight into policy development

PHOENIX (AUGUST 21, 2014) —This fall, Arizona Summit Law School is pleased to welcome Phoenix Mayor Greg Stanton to the faculty as an adjunct distinguished lecturer-in-residence. Mayor Stanton will bring his experience as a practicing attorney and public servant into the classroom, teaching the Designing Land-Use Policies, and providing valuable instruction to future real-estate-transactional and land-use attorneys.

“This will be a great opportunity to work with talented and engaged students, and to provide them with an understanding of the complex issues they’ll handle when they become attorneys,” Stanton said. “I look forward to helping them navigate the intricacies of land use as it relates to public policy.”

Designing Land Use Policies covers the intense legal and social conflicts associated with land and its usage. Students learn the basics of development and regulation processes, including zoning and planning, as well as planning and subdivision law with an emphasis on Arizona state law. In addition, the course explores contemporary land-use struggles, such as population and job growth, environmental and quality of life concerns, affordable housing, and managing transportation issues while respecting property rights. The course features experiential learning, training students to advocate on behalf of conflicted stakeholders in a highly politicized land-use public hearing.

Stanton is the latest in a number of qualified, high-profile members of the legal and public service communities whose expertise and real-world experiences enrich the academic training of Arizona Summit Law students. He joins esteemed faculty such as retired judges Penny Willrich, Michael Jones and Stephen Gerst in training students through their extensive experience at the highest levels of the legal profession in our state.

“At Arizona Summit Law School we are committed to providing students with real-life experience and instruction, which takes traditional legal education beyond legal theory and includes the practical application of the law,” said Arizona Summit Law School Dean Shirley Mays. “When Mayor Stanton expressed interest in joining our faculty, we immediately recognized the beneficial insight he would provide to students as a policy maker, public servant and practicing attorney. We are thrilled to have him at our downtown Phoenix Campus.”

ABOUT ARIZONA SUMMIT LAW SCHOOL

Founded in 2005, Arizona Summit Law School is a private, ABA-accredited law school dedicated to diversifying the legal profession by advancing advocates and civic-minded leaders and serving historically underrepresented communities. The school earned early accolades from the ABA and in 2009, received the highly regarded E. Smythe

Grambell Professionalism Award for its innovative approach to legal education. Arizona Summit Law School has also received top honors for two consecutive years from prelaw Magazine for its innovative approach to legal education. As Arizona's only private law school, it aims to establish the private law school as a benchmark institution for legal education in the 21st century. The school is located in the heart of the legal community in downtown Phoenix, providing students with proximity and access to prospective employers and externship opportunities. For more information, visit www.AZSummitLaw.edu.

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