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Dini Partners announces name change to Dini Spheris

(Houston, TX – January 6, 2014) – Dini Partners, a leading national consultancy in fundraising, leadership and performance, announced that effective today the company will bear the name Dini Spheris. The 45-year-old firm – with offices in Houston, Dallas and Denver – has served thousands of nonprofits nationally, resulting in billions of dollars in philanthropic support for capital, endowment and special projects.

The name change reflects the firm's continuing evolution from a small, regional fundraising consulting firm to a full-service fundraising and nonprofit management consulting company with an expanded national reach. Unique to Dini Spheris is the firm's team-based approach to consulting, along with its full suite of service offerings – everything from major gift fundraising consulting and strategic planning to executive and board coaching.

"Dini Spheris is a name that evokes a sense of future, energy and movement," said Larry Vaclavik, Managing Principal of Dini Spheris. "The choice of this new name for our employee-owned consulting practice reflects our 3rd-generation commitment to think boldly, find new and right solutions and produce high impact results for every client. We look forward to many more years of further development, growth and impact as Dini Spheris."

Over the past decade, Dini Spheris has served nonprofit institutions representing the fields of health care and health education, higher education, primary and secondary independent schools, human and youth services, arts and culture, faith-based organizations, as well as nature and wildlife. Dini Spheris client service teams represent the company's twenty-one principals, consultants and consulting project managers who are engaged in direct client service.

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About Dini Spheris

In1969, R. F. Dini & Associates was founded in Houston as a sole proprietorship. Soon Dini & Associates grew and established a permanent presence in Dallas. In 1994, the firm changed its name to Dini Partners as new partners were added to the firm. In 2008, Dini Partners opened an office in Denver reflecting its historic service for clients in Colorado and the Southwest. Most recently, in 2011, Dini Partners became an employee-owned enterprise with a growing number of client projects across the U.S. In recognition of its continuing evolution, the firm rebranded as Dini Spheris in 2014.