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**LISA CICITTO FROM THE CONNECTICUT CONVENTION CENTER NAMED
NEW PRESIDENT OF SKAL INTERNATIONAL CONNECTICUT CHAPTER**

HARTFORD, CT (April 11, 2013) – On Tuesday evening the SKAL International Connecticut Chapter inducted its new president, Lisa Cicitto. During her one-year term, Lisa will conduct monthly board meetings. The executive Board is a network of hospitality and travel professionals that strive to improve connections between existing members and continuously work to attract new members to keep the club strong and business growing.

SKAL is an international travel organization that was created between Sweden and France in 1932, aiming to promote the creation of goodwill and friendship in travel and transportation circles throughout the world. Over the years it has continued to grow and has become an active, worldwide organization. The SKAL International Connecticut Chapter was founded on March 23, 1964 and is made up of travel, tourism and hospitality professionals from all over the state.

Currently, Lisa is the Corporate Sales Manager at the Connecticut Convention Center. The Center is owned by the state of Connecticut and is managed by Waterford Venue Services, with headquarters located in Waterford, CT. Lisa has been with Waterford since 2010, previously serving as Catering Sales Manager at the Sheraton Hartford Hotel at Bradley International Airport.



About the Connecticut Convention Center

The Connecticut Convention Center in Hartford is the state's premier meeting venue and the largest full-service convention facility between New York and Boston. Overlooking the beautiful Connecticut River, it features 140,000 square feet of exhibition space, a 40,000-square-foot ballroom and 25,000 square feet of meeting space, as well as ample sheltered parking. The facility is served by more than 6,500 local area hotel rooms, including the 22-story Marriott Hartford Downtown, adjacent to the Convention Center. The venue is professionally managed for the State of Connecticut by Waterford Venue Services, an affiliate of Waterford Hotel Group. For more information, please visit www.ctconventions.com.

About Waterford Venue Services

Waterford Venue Services is a subsidiary of Waterford Hotel Group, Inc., with headquarters in Waterford, CT. Waterford Hotel Group currently manages 24 properties in 7 states, including the 540,000 square foot Connecticut Convention Center. Waterford Hotel Group has experience operating virtually every type of hotel property, including limited services properties, all-suite hotels, conference centers, and large full service and resort properties. The company's approach to hotel development and operations is hands-on, and features frequent site visits and constant communication with customers and partners. Additionally, Waterford Hotel Group offers centralized accounting, financial reporting, strategic marketing, human resources, and day-to-day operations management systems to increase market share and profitability at all properties. For more information, please visit the company's website at www.waterfordgroup.net.

