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CONNER & WINTERS HOSTING INAUGURAL PASSENGER & FREIGHT RAILROADS UNITE

WASHINGTON, D.C. – (March 12, 2019) Conner & Winters, LLP is proud to host the inaugural conference Passenger & Freight Railroads Unite on March 14 and 15 at the Westin City Center of Washington, DC. Conner & Winters attorney Dan Elliott, who served as Chairman of the Surface Transportation Board from 2009 to 2017, is bringing together freight and passenger railroads and other experts to look at the relationship between them to solve ongoing issues between these parties through informal discussions.

“The goal is to bring everyone together to talk about the best way for the rail system to operate. In many circumstances, the freight railroads own and control the track that the passenger railroads operate on and in others, the passenger railroads have control,” explained Elliott. “These shared track scenarios lead to disagreements about who should be able to go first when they both simultaneously need to run over the same route.”

Additional sponsors of this groundbreaking event include: Icomera, Steptoe & Johnson, BNSF Railway, Las Vegas XTrain, and R.L. Banks and Associates.

The slate of presenters includes a “who’s who” in the railroad world, including Matthew Rose, Executive Chairman of BNSF; and Dan Richard, former chairman of the California High Speed Rail Authority. Attendees include representatives from railroads, shippers and other experts who are looking forward to engaging conversations about how the national rail system should operate to be most efficient and effective.

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