## SECREST WARDLE SUPPORTS GRAND RAPIDS AREA GIRLS CHORAL ACADEMY AT "RAISE YOUR VOICE" EVENT

Secrest Wardle participated in the Girls Choral Academy (GCA) fundraiser, "Raise Your Voice," which took place on April 28, 2016, at the Grand Rapids Downtown Market. The Firm served as a "Member of the Choir" sponsor. The event is one of two major fundraisers for GCA. Proceeds for the event support a major portion of the organization's operating budget. The event, a hosted luncheon, provided an opportunity for those in attendance to learn more about GCA's endeavors to provide girls across west Michigan with the opportunity to learn leadership skills and to elevate their level of self-confidence through music.

Sarah Walburn, an Executive Partner located in Secrest Wardle's Grand Rapids office, was in attendance. Ms. Walburn reflected on the event:

"It was a pleasure to attend the GCA luncheon. I applaud the GCA's mission to foster leadership skills and confidence in young women. To accomplish these initiatives through involvement in music makes this organization's achievements all the more remarkable."

Founded in 1997, the GCA offers programs for girls who love to sing and wish to grow artistically as singers and personally as leaders and members of a choir. The organization provides a safe environment for girls and an avenue in which to foster leadership skills and self-confidence through music education. For more information about GCA, please visit http://www.girlschoralacademy.org/.

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