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Third Annual Business Breakfast Panel February 21st Featuring the Honorable Donna Shalala, Dr. Panagiota Caralis, and Dr. Janisse Schoepp

Miami - Legal Services of Greater Miami (Legal Services) will host a groundbreaking panel discussion with Miami leaders in healthcare. **Generously hosted by global law firm Greenberg Traurig, P.A., the Business Breakfast Panel on February 21, 2020** will focus on access to healthcare, medical legal partnership and the impact on businesses. Panel members will include: **The Honorable Donna E. Shalala**, U.S. House of Representatives 27th District; **Panagiota Caralis, MD, JD, FACP**, Special Assistant, Chief of Staff, Miami VA Health System; and **Janisse R. Schoepp, MPH, PhD**, Vice President of Operations and Strategy, Health Foundation of South Florida. **Jaret L. Davis**, Co-Managing Shareholder of Greenberg's Traurig's Miami Office and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Nicklaus Children's Hospital, will moderate the panel discussion on the growing importance of social determinants of health and their the impact on healthcare. The panel will also discuss how civil legal services is working with medical and social services staff to remedy social issues that impact community health.

"Legal Services' mission is to achieve equal justice for its clients and eradicate barriers to economic and social stability. Access to healthcare and social determinants of health such as housing, nutrition and educational services are critical to the well-being of our entire community. Legal Services' advocacy is often the lifeline to these essentials of personal safety," says Legal Services Executive Director **Monica Vignes-Pitan**.

Legal Services of Greater Miami is the largest provider of broad-based civil legal services for the poor in Miami-Dade and Monroe Counties, and is recognized in the state and in the nation as a model legal services program. Each year Legal Services provides services which benefit more than 20,000 vulnerable members of our community who have nowhere else to turn for help— women, children, seniors, veterans returning from combat, people with disabilities, low wage workers, and the homeless who have problems in the areas of tenants' rights, homeownership, health income maintenance, employment, special education, tax and consumer rights. Visit www.legalservicesmiami.org for more information.

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