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### **Katten Women's Leadership Forum Sponsors Service Day at Chicago's Only Public School Exclusively for Pregnant and Parenting Students**

*Firm volunteers present workshops to Simpson Academy students on job skills  
and hold a baby book and clothing drive*

**CHICAGO** –Katten Muchin Rosenman LLP is pleased to announce that on June 8, its [Women's Leadership Forum](#) sponsored its third annual Service Day at the Simpson Academy for Young Women, the only Chicago Public School exclusively for pregnant and parenting students (grades 6 - 12).

The Firm's attorneys and staff led various workshops designed to help the students develop critical skills in areas including job interview preparation and business etiquette. In addition, the Firm sponsored a baby book and clothing drive for Simpson Academy students and participated in a number of service projects around the school, including grounds keeping, planting flower beds, organizing the school's storage room, painting, and general clean-up. Finally, Katten sponsored a scrapbook project for Simpson Academy students, whereby each student received a scrapbook or baby book to personalize.

Simpson Academy accepts pregnant students from any high school in Chicago throughout the year. With an enrollment of approximately 300 students, the school offers a general high school curriculum within a nurturing environment that includes social work services and counseling services for students and their families. Parenting skills classes taught by nurse practitioners are available to students, and homebound instruction is provided to students with a physician's approval. Simpson Academy also offers additional on-site services, such as "Literature for All of Us" and the WIC food supplement program.

"Simpson Academy is an invaluable resource for pregnant teens who might otherwise drop out of school," said [Megan Hardiman](#), chair of this year's event and a partner in Katten's [Health Care Practice](#). "In Simpson Academy, we have found an exceptionally worthy cause for which there is a genuine need for our time and resources. We are delighted to continue our ongoing support of the school and its students."

Katten's Women's Leadership Forum was established to further the Firm's commitment to the development, retention and advancement of women and to provide a forum for its women attorneys to discuss issues and share information. A driving force for its creation was the recognition that as a national law Firm, Katten has significant wisdom, experience and vision, which, when collected and shared internally and externally, can empower women at all levels in their careers to achieve success and

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satisfaction. The WLF's relationship with Simpson Academy provides an opportunity for the Firm to reach out to women and children in need.

To view pictures from the event, click [here](#)

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