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SKIRVIN HILTON HOTEL NAMES NEW DIRECTOR OF OUTLETS TO OVERSEE DAILY OPERATIONS OF HOTEL'S FOOD AND BEVERAGE SERVICES

Paul W. White to lead the award-winning Park Avenue Grill and the Red Piano Lounge

OKLAHOMA CITY (January 14, 2014) — Marcus® Hotels & Resorts, majority owner and operator of the Skirvin Hilton Hotel, has selected a new director of outlets to lead the restaurant and guest experience of Oklahoma City's most historic, AAA Four Diamond hotel, The Skirvin Hilton, located in the downtown business district. Paul White, an accomplished hospitality veteran, brings 28 years of national hospitality management experience to the Skirvin Hilton.

Before coming to the Skirvin, White served as the general manager of Capisce, an upscale Italian dining room as well as Le Paris, the French bakery at the Winstar World Casino in Thackerville, Okla. White also served as the general manager of the legendary Oak Tree Country Club in Edmond, Okla. Prior to joining the Oak Tree, White worked as the assistant manager at Oklahoma City Golf and Country Club, and was the Food and Beverage Director at the Driskill Hotel, a Texas landmark built in 1886. White also spent time with the Food and Beverage departments of the Loews Giorgio in Denver and the Hilton Anatole Hotel in Dallas.

"I am honored to have the opportunity to oversee the Skirvin's food and beverage operations and to continue to deliver the first-class guest experience synonymous with this historic hotel," said White. "As an Oklahoma native, I am thrilled to take one of Oklahoma's gems to even greater heights. The opportunity to work with this management team, dedicated associates and Executive Chef Christopher Pope is truly once in a lifetime. We are well positioned to maintain a commitment to 100% customer satisfaction."

"We are thrilled to add Paul to our already stellar team of managers, all of whom are among the best in the business," said Brett Sundstrom, general manager of the Skirvin Hilton. "Bringing Paul — with his vast experience in the hospitality industry — on board as our Director of Outlets allows us to build upon our success in food services and continue to provide our guests and local residents with a world-class experience."

White will oversee operations of the Park Avenue Grill, the iconic Red Piano Lounge and the inroom dining experience for the entire hotel. In addition to the restaurant and bar, the hotel's catering and special service operations will benefit from White's leadership as he works closely with Chef Pope.

White serves on the Oklahoma and Kansas Club Managers Association of America Board and has served as the organization's president and education chair.

The Skirvin Hilton is majority-owned and operated by <u>Marcus Hotels & Resorts</u>, in partnership with Skirvin Partners in Development.

About The Skirvin Hilton Hotel

The Skirvin Hilton originally opened in 1911 and has been synonymous with elegance and innovation for the past five generations, hosting oil barons, dignitaries, movie stars, political leaders and presidents ever since. Guests from around the globe have traveled through the downtown Skirvin Hilton to experience its unique sophistication and timelessness. In 2007, Skirvin Partners in Development, Marcus Hotels & Resorts and the Hilton partnered on renovating the hotel to its original glory. The reopening event was designated as an official Oklahoma Centennial event and since the renovation, the hotel has earned a AAA Four Diamond rating every year and received the Mayor's Development Award for best downtown development.

The hotel features 225 luxuriously appointed guest rooms, including 20 one-bedroom suites, one presidential suite and 18,500 square feet of premiere meeting and pre-function space. It is home to the upscale Park Avenue Grill restaurant and Red Piano lounge.

Last year, the Skirvin was named one of the best hotel meeting destinations and received a prestigious Pinnacle Award from *Successful Meetings*. The hotel was also once again recognized as one of the 2012 Best Hotels in the USA by *U.S. News & World Report*, finishing as the #1 Hotel in Oklahoma City and the State of Oklahoma. The hotel remains on the National Register of Historic Places.

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