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## **STIKEMAN ELLIOTT TO DONATE 17,000 LUNCHES TO BROWN BAGGING FOR CALGARY'S KIDS**

**Calgary, Alberta – JULY 3, 2008** – The Calgary office of Stikeman Elliott announced today that it is giving **\$10,000 to Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids**. This donation translates into nearly 17,000 lunches and represents just one of many activities the office has undertaken as part of its new Community Involvement Program.

Brown Bagging for Calgary's Kids was established as a lunch program in 1990 to meet the needs of homeless children and youth in Calgary who did not have access to nutritional resources. Following recent findings by the Feeding Calgary's Children Initiative - that almost 30,000 children and youth in Calgary go hungry while in school - the mandate has changed to include all children and youth, whether on the streets or in school.

Lou Cusano, Calgary Managing Partner: "We encourage all of our lawyers and staff members to give back to the Calgary community in whatever fashion makes sense for them. With this donation, we hope to help remove an obstacle to the growth and development of those less fortunate children." This donation will be made during Stikeman Elliott's annual Stampede function on July 5, 2008.

The Calgary office has recently won two awards for its community involvement. In May it was recognized by Volunteer Calgary with a Leader in Business Award and in March the office was recognized by Alberta Venture Magazine with an award for Best Workplaces in the area of Volunteerism & Community Involvement.

For more information, please contact Michelle Isaacson.

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