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A "Night Of Giving" to Benefit the Young Women's Leadership Network

Wanted to give a "shout out" to the wonderful work of the <u>National Association of Women Lawyers</u> (NAWL). On July 20, 2011, the <u>EpsteinBeckerGreen Women's Initiative</u> was privileged to sponsor a "Night of Giving" in conjunction with NAWL's Annual Meeting. For those professional women who read this blog and who are lawyers, NAWL is an organization that is about us and for us and – another good and professional way to network with successful women! The "Night of Giving" is a way that women attorneys, all of whom are members of NAWL, assist women and girls in various projects and organizations around the country that espouse the cause and champion the efforts of women in various academic and professional disciplines.

This most recent NAWL event was dedicated to benefitting the work of the <u>Young Women's Leadership Network</u> (YWLN), a nonprofit organization that supports programs focused on helping urban youth break the cycle of poverty through college readiness and college access. Attendees at the event, who had been asked to bring various school supplies – from pens and pencils to thumb drives and phone cards – chatted, laughed, and listened to speakers as they wrapped journals to which they added their personal words of encouragement for the recipients. Speaking at the event, EBG partner Amy J. Traub, expressed the firm's appreciation for the strong partnership that exists between NAWL and the EpsteinBeckerGreen Women's Initiative:

It is through the efforts of the Women's Initiative that EpsteinBeckerGreen was first introduced to NAWL. We stand behind NAWL and have formed our own internal EBG-NAWL Committee to help promote and foster the professional empowerment of women in the law and in the boardroom. We continue to look for ways to support NAWL's efforts, and tonight is just one way that we can do that.

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While some of us demonstrated better-honed wrapping skills than others, there was certainly no disparity when it came to generosity of spirit – just a group of women all giving of their time and energy to help smooth the path for the next generation of professional women – and having a really good time in the process!