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**DALE STEIN RECOGNIZED WITH PINNACLE AWARD AT DEVRY
UNIVERSITY'S 80th ANNIVERSARY CELEBRATION**

SAN DIEGO — (DATE) — Dale Stein, one of San Diego's leading entrepreneurs, has received the Pinnacle Award from DeVry University's Keller School of Graduate Management at the university's 80th Anniversary Alumni Celebration on June 4. Stein is currently President of Voice Smart Networks, Inc., Southern California's leading voice and data providers, and a Partner of the Technology Assurance Group (TAG), an international organization of leading voice and data companies.

Stein was one of four distinguished recipients of the Pinnacle Award and was on hand to celebrate the 80th anniversary of DeVry University and its Keller Graduate School of Management. In addition, the University unveiled the first edition of The Pinnacle, a gold book collection featuring some of the school's most distinguished and influential alumni across DeVry's schools and academic programs.

"We are and always have been dedicated to providing an education grounded in industry demands and employer needs. The achievements of our successful graduates like Dale Stein make us what we are today and what we will become in the future," said Rita Mikhail, DeVry's Alumni Relations Director. "The Pinnacle highlights the value of a DeVry and Keller education to current and prospective students, employers, licensing agencies, government officials and the general community."

Stein currently oversees marketing and business development for Voice Smart Networks, Inc., Southern California's leading data and voice company with offices in San Diego, Orange County, Los Angeles and Ventura. Voice Smart's mission is to increase its customers' profitability, improve their productivity and give them a competitive advantage by implementing the right technology. Voice Smart Networks is the only provider that protects its customers from the two risks of technology — obsolescence and cost.

Stein is also a Partner for the Technology Assurance Group (TAG) and holds responsibility for developing TAG's strategic planning and guiding its

business development. One of the nation's most sought-after speakers on the sales process, Stein developed TAG's proprietary Seven Step Sales Solution.

Previously, Stein served as CEO of INET, Inc., one of the country's most successful telecommunications companies. Under his leadership, INET achieved over \$3 million per annum in internal sales growth and became the number 1 distributor of Mitel products in North America averaging \$18 million in business. The company was acquired by a public CLEC in 2000. He also founded Westec Security Corp. and served as its CEO. While there, he grew the private security company to more than \$30 million in annual revenues.

Stein sits on TAG's board as well as those of several other independent businesses. His well-documented sales solution has been embraced and effectively utilized by hundreds of companies across the country.

Stein is very active in the community and has a long history of participating in philanthropic activities. A resident of Rancho Bernardo, he received a Bachelor's degree in Electronic Engineering Technology from DeVry University in Chicago and certification from Harvard University's Small Company Management Program.

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