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## **PRESS RELEASE**

### **Civility Partners named Best Community Impact Finalist for the 2018 Business Excellence Forum & Awards - San Diego, CA.**

Gala Awards Night held at the Hotel Del Coronado Will Prove An Amazing Night

**SAN DIEGO, January 24, 2018:** Civility Partners, a local consulting and training firm focused on ending workplace bullying and ultimately creating positive workplaces, was named a Finalist for Best Community Impact at the 2018 Business Excellence Awards, which will be held February 29, 2018, at the Hotel Del Coronado.

The Business Excellence Awards honor the best of the best in small and medium sized businesses from around the world, and showcases exceptional results for business owners and entrepreneurs, their teams and their companies. The Business Excellence Forum and Awards are sponsored by ActionCOACH, the world's number one business coaching firm. ActionCOACH Founder and Chairman Brad Sugars will be presenting.

Catherine Mattice Zundel, the CEO of Civility Partners, has carved out a niche in Workplace Bullying and Civility Consulting. Local ActionCOACH, Karie Kaufmann, is a big part of Civility Partners' success.

"Since joining Karie Kaufmann at ActionCOACH in 2015, I have seen enormous growth in my business. Within the first six months of working with her I doubled my sales, and revenue has only gone up from there. In 2017 business grew quite a bit given the political climate, and what's been happening in Hollywood. Employers are suddenly astutely aware that bad behavior can create a bad reputation. Workplace bullying is very real, and being nominated for community impact helps make it real for everyone else out there who doesn't know it exists."

The 2018 Business Excellence Forums and Awards are part of ActionCOACH's ongoing commitment to innovation, business excellence and business re-education for owners and teams who operate and work in small-and-medium sized businesses.

In addition to the awards ceremony, the Business Excellence Forum will feature seminars with top speakers in the world of business, including Keith Cunningham, Dr. Ivan Misner, Richard Maloney, Paul Dunn, Hall of Fame NFI Player Tim Brown and ActionCOACH Founder and Chairman Brad Sugars.

For more about the Business Excellence Forum and Awards, please visit

[www.thebusinessexcellenceforums.com](http://www.thebusinessexcellenceforums.com)

For more information about Civility Partners, visit [www.CivilityPartners.com](http://www.CivilityPartners.com).

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Civility Partners has been successfully providing programs in workplace bullying and building positive workplaces since 2007. Clients include Fortune 500's, the military, several universities and hospitals, government agencies, small businesses and nonprofits. Media appearances include NPR, USA Today, Inc Magazine, Huffington Post, Entrepreneur Magazine, Washington Times, Psychology Today, Bloomberg and more. In his foreword to her book, *BACK OFF! Your Kick-Ass Guide to Ending Bullying at Work*, Ken Blanchard said it was "the most comprehensive and valuable handbook" on workplace bullying. *BACK OFF*, and her second book, *SEEKING CIVILITY: How Leaders, Managers and HR Can Create a Workplace Free of Bullying*, are both available on Amazon.