DAVID BONDANZA ELECTED TO SAINT FRANCIS FOUNDATION BOARD

Will serve three-year term

(Hartford, Conn., July 22, 2014) – David Bondanza, of Canton, CT, has been elected to a three-year term on the Board of Directors of Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center Foundation.

Mr. Bondanza is an associate attorney with Hassett & George, P.C., in Simsbury where he practices in the areas of employment law, corporate law, commercial and construction litigation, estate planning and administration. He is admitted to practice law in Connecticut, and Federal District Court and is a member of the Connecticut Bar Association.

In addition to his law practice, Mr. Bondanza is an Adjunct Professor at Kaplan University and teaches employment law, legal research, legal analysis, and paralegal skills classes.

Mr. Bondanza graduated from SUNY Empire State College, Saratoga Springs, NY, with a bachelor's degree in electrical engineering technology. He received his Juris Doctor Degree Cum Laude from the Quinnipiac University School of Law, Hamden, CT. Mr. Bondanza was the recipient of the Service to the Law School Award.

He also holds certification as a Six Sigma Green Belt.

Mr. Bondanza is active in the community, serving as Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission for the Town of Canton. In addition, for over 26 years, he has been a volunteer firefighter and EMT in three departments. For the past 18 years he has volunteered at the Canton Fire and EMS Department as a Certified Firefighter II, Emergency Medical Technician-Intermediate, Certified Safety Officer, Fire Services Instructor, and OSHA Bloodborne Pathogens Instructor. Mr. Bondanza is the past chief of the Canton Fire and EMS Department and has held every rank within the scope of volunteer emergency services. Mr. Bondanza has authored a program entitled "You Be the Jury" to instruct EMT and paramedic students in the areas of legal and medical ethics.

Mr. Bondanza is a licensed private pilot, and an avid amateur photographer.

About Saint Francis Care
Saint Francis Care is an integrated healthcare delivery system established by Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center, an anchor institution in north central Connecticut since 1897. Licensed for 617 beds and 65 bassinets, it is a major teaching hospital and the largest Catholic hospital in New England. Other major entities of Saint Francis Care include The Mount Sinai Rehabilitation Hospital, the Connecticut Joint Replacement Institute, the Hoffman Heart and Vascular Institute of Connecticut, the Saint Francis/Mount Sinai Regional Cancer Center, the Joyce D. and Andrew J. Mandell Center for Comprehensive Multiple Sclerosis Care and Neuroscience Research, and Saint Francis HealthCare Partners. Johnson Memorial Medical Center, parent organization of Johnson Memorial Hospital, Evergreen Health Care Center, and Home and Community Health Services is also a Saint Francis Care Partner. Saint Francis Care's services are supported by a network of five major Access Centers and eight additional medical office centers sited throughout the region. For more information, visit www.stfranciscare.com.
About the Saint Francis Foundation
The Saint Francis Hospital and Medical Center Foundation operates exclusively to advance the charitable, scientific and educational purposes of the Hospital through relationship building, community visibility and fund raising. The Foundation also focuses on major gifts and planned gifts to build Saint Francis' endowment to enable the Hospital to sustain its services to the community for generations to come.