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## Denise Poulos and Jeff Chidester Honored at Seacoast Good Scout Luncheon

Manchester, NH—December 15, 2022 – This week the Daniel Webster Council (DWC), Boy Scouts of America presented **Attorney Denise Poulos** and **Political and Public Policy Analyst Jeff Chidester** each with Seacoast Good Scout Awards at a luncheon chaired by **Jack Heath**, **host of the Good Morning New Hampshire radio show**.

Denise Poulos is a partner at the Donohue, Tucker & Ciandella law firm, with over 30 years of experience representing business clients and lending institutions as well as individuals with personal legal issues. Poulos has extensive expertise in complex real estate and secured lending transactions, representing both lenders and borrowers in complex financial transactions while also working with individuals and businesses in the sale and acquisition of companies. Poulos earned her law degree from New York Law School and her LLM in Taxation from Boston University Law School and has been involved in the Seacoast business community for years, currently serving as Chair of the Board of Directors of the Seacoast Chapter of Veterans Count, formed to provide community-based funding of critical needs to New Hampshire veterans, service members and their families.

Jeff Chidester is a well-known public figure and political analyst in New Hampshire. He is a featured columnist with a weekly column at the Portsmouth Herald and is the host of the NH Today Weekend Edition with Jeff Chidester radio program, broadcasting on WQSO 96.7 FM and WGIR-AM, featuring top newsmakers, small business owners and entrepreneurs. Raised in Portsmouth, Chidester is a U.S. Army veteran where he was recognized for meritorious service as a leader of a counter-terrorist security team. Following his distinguished military career, Chidester returned to New Hampshire to pursue a career as a community relations police officer, developing programs to bring people together to reduce crime and build a sense of neighborhood. Jeff studied communications, history and economics at Emerson, the University of Maryland and University of Chicago and presently serves as a Board member of the Seacoast Chapter of Veterans Count.

**DWC Scout Executive Jay Garee** noted, "We are honored to recognize Denise Poulos and Jeff Chidester for their outstanding professional achievements and deep charitable commitment to our communities. We strive to acknowledge civic leaders who set a good example as part of our daily effort to deliver character and life skill building programs for the thousands of youth and families involved in Scouting in New Hampshire."

The reception was held at the Atlantic Grill in Rye, and supported by numerous local businesses including:

- Baker, Newman & Noyes
- Bangor Savings Bank;
- Bank of New Hampshire;
- Chinburg Builders;
- Construction Services of New Hampshire, LLC;
- Cummings, Lamont & McNamee;
- Donohue, Tucker & Ciandella, PLLC;
- Dunkin'
- EasterSeals of NH
- Fred Church Insurance;
- Hoefle, Phoenix, Gormley & Roberts, PLLC;
- Jgroup Hospitality;
- Jon Wendell;
- Keane & MacDonald, PC;
- Kirsten and Sean Mahoney;
- Little Bay Lobsters;
- Loughlin Law Offices;
- M&T Bank;
- Mary Dwyer;
- Newburyport Bank;
- Old Republic Title;
- Pease Development Authority;
- Piper Properties;
- Rick & Karene Wallis;
- Sheehan Phinney Bass & Green;
- Slough Creek Investments;
- Smith & Wilkinson;
- Susan Conway;
- Tate & Foss Sotheby's International Realty;
- Toyota of Portsmouth;
- Weudma, Lavin & Grott Accounting;
- 369 Management;

**About the Daniel Webster Council** The Daniel Webster Council, Boy Scouts of America is committed to developing character, citizenship, personal fitness, and leadership skills in youth by delivering dynamic programs that include outdoor activities and life skill-building curriculum. Daniel Webster Council has been promoting Scouting in New Hampshire since 1929. Cub Scout Packs, Scouts BSA Troops, and Venturing Crews are open to boys and girls throughout the state and supported by over 3,000 volunteer leaders in partnership with community organizations. For more information, please visit www.nhscouting.org.