

Mark Neithercut of Neithercut Advisors in Detroit Appointed to Board of National Network of Consultants to Grantmakers

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DETROIT, March 2, 2009 – Mark Neithercut, principal of Neithercut Advisors LLC of Detroit, has been appointed to the Steering Committee, which functions as the board, of the National Network of Consultants to Grantmakers, the largest trade association in the nation to bring together consultants dedicated to increasing and strengthening the practice of philanthropy.

Founded in 2006, the National Network of Consultants to Grantmakers' mission is to increase the effectiveness and capacity of grantmakers by mobilizing and strengthening the work of knowledgeable, ethical, and experienced consultants. Some grantmakers find it increasingly challenging to identify experienced, ethical, high-quality consultants. NNCG recently launched a new Directory of Consultants, a free on-line resource for the philanthropic sector, at www.nncg.org.

Neithercut, founder of Neithercut Advisors, advises private, family and community foundations, as well as charitable individuals, on optimizing the impact and results of their philanthropy. He says that more foundations and individuals are seeking out philanthropic advisers to help them develop a long-term, strategic approach to grantmaking.

“We are delighted to have Mark join the NNCG Steering Committee. He contributes a depth of experience, rigor and commitment to the philanthropic community,” said Lee Draper, NNCG chairperson and president of Draper Consulting Group. “He is a great asset to the development of our national organization and its broad range of resources to grantmakers and philanthropists.”

Neithercut has been appointed to an open-ended term, joining a Steering Committee of 10 members. He also serves as co-chair of the NNCG Membership Task Force.

Neithercut works with many organizations and philanthropic interests around the United States; recent clients include the, the Ruth Mott Foundation, The Kresge Foundation, the Colorado Health Foundation, Community Foundation for Southeast Michigan, and the Kansas Health Foundation. Prior to founding Neithercut Advisors, Neithercut was vice president of a \$600-million community foundation, trustee of a family foundation and program officer at a \$2-billion private foundation. He is also a former professor at the University of Alabama and Wayne State University in Detroit.

Neithercut holds a Ph.D. from University of British Columbia, master's degree from Michigan State University and bachelor of arts from University of Michigan. He lives in Grosse Pointe Farms, Michigan.

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