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### **MEDIA ADVISORY**

#### **United States Marshals Museum Unveils Virtual Reality Technology**

FORT SMITH, Ark. (Jan. 4, 2018) – Explore the United States Marshals Museum sooner than you thought possible through state-of-the-art virtual reality technology. The virtual tours give users a dynamic digital experience, letting them see both inside and outside the innovative facility before the walls are even built.

“We hope these tours help build excitement in the Fort Smith community about the project,” said Patrick Weeks, President and CEO of the Marshals Museum. “By harnessing the power of virtual reality, we’re able to provide the community with an immersive experience that will put them in the driver’s seat.”

The virtual reality tours were made possible through a collaboration with CDI Contractors and Polk, Stanley, Wilcox Architects. Together, the two entities created high-resolution computer-generated panoramas of the museum building. The Museum can be viewed from seven different locations, including the 20,000 square feet blank canvas which will ultimately become our exhibit hall.

To take a virtual reality tour, please contact Marketing & Events Manager Meredith Baldwin at (479) 709-3766 or by email at [mbaldwin@usmmuseum.org](mailto:mbaldwin@usmmuseum.org).

#### **About the U.S. Marshals Museum**

The future United States Marshals Museum will be a national museum located on the riverfront in Fort Smith, Ark. Opening on September 24, 2019, the 230<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the United States Marshals Service, the museum will tell the story of our nation’s oldest law enforcement agency from its establishment by President George Washington through current day. The museum will honor the sacrifice of marshals killed in the line of duty, as well as those who continue to place their lives in harm’s way, as they enforce the Constitution.