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## **PHIL CASTELLANO NAMED NEW NATIONAL CONSTITUTION CENTER CHIEF OPERATING OFFICER**

Philadelphia, PA (May 3, 2004) – Phil Castellano, Vice President of Visitor Services at the National Constitution Center, has been named as the Center’s new Chief Operating Officer (COO). Castellano officially assumed his new position on April 8, 2004.

As COO, Castellano will oversee the day-to-day operation of the facility. He will serve as the liaison between the Center and the Philadelphia business, tourism and hospitality communities, and will be responsible for new business development.

Castellano, a resident of Haddon Heights, NJ, had served as Vice President of Visitor Services since February 2001. His responsibilities included the set up and operation of the Center’s sales and marketing efforts as well as the coordination of all of the building’s operational functions and revenue centers including retail, food service, facility rentals, parking, security and building maintenance and operations.

“Phil has been an incredible asset to this organization, bringing the idea of the National Constitution Center to a reality,” said President and CEO Richard Stengel. “I am excited at the prospect of working with him to implement the ambitious vision for the Center that we share.”

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Prior to his work at the National Constitution Center, Castellano spent six years at The Franklin Institute. His most recent position at the Institute was as the Vice President of Science Center Operations. In this role he directed the revenue centers and visitor services for the museum.

Castellano began his career at Comcast-Spectacor in Marketing and Sales, where he worked in Ticket Sales & Group Sales for several years at the sports arena complex. A native of Long Island, New York, Phil graduated from the University of Delaware with a degree in Sports Management and holds an MBA in marketing from Temple University.

Castellano succeeds Laura Linton, who worked at the Center for more than seven years as Executive Vice President and most recently as acting President from January 1 to March 1, 2004.

The National Constitution Center, located at 525 Arch St. on Philadelphia's historic Independence Mall, brings the story of the Constitution to life through more than 100 interactive and multimedia exhibits, film, text, photographs, sculpture and artifacts. The Center also houses the Annenberg Center for Education and Outreach, which serves as a hub for national constitutional education; programming and debates; and as a home for visiting scholars and experts. The National Constitution Center is the first museum in the country designated as a member of the National Archives Experience Alliance Initiative. For more information, call 215.409.6600 or visit [www.constitutioncenter.org](http://www.constitutioncenter.org).

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