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### NBA GREAT JOHN HAVLICEK'S PERSONAL MEMORABILIA SELLS FOR MORE THAN \$1 MILLION AS FIRST SESSION OF SCP AUCTIONS' SPRING AUCTION COMES TO AN END

*Part Two of auction, including offerings from LeBron James, Chris Mullin, Steve Garvey, Rollie Fingers and Bret Saberhagen, ends Saturday evening*

**Laguna Niguel, Calif.** (April 27, 2013) – NBA great John Havlicek's collection of personal memorabilia garnered more than \$1 million in Session One of SCP Auction's premier spring auction that concluded early Saturday morning. Top lots included \$80,750.40 for his personal NBA 50 Greatest Players autographed lithograph and \$68,481.60 for his 1963 Boston Celtics World Championship ring. All prices are inclusive of a 20 percent buyers' premium.

Session Two will conclude on Saturday, April 27. The auction, conducted online at SCPAuctions.com, will go into extended bidding for registered bidders at 7 p.m. PST. The offering includes prominent items from MLB all-stars Steve Garvey, Rollie Fingers and Bret Saberhagen; a special pair of LeBron James' game-worn sneakers that will benefit the [victims of the tragedy in Newtown, CT](#) through the [LeBron James Family Foundation](#); and what is generally regarded as the finest Wayne Gretzky game jersey in the hobby.

"Collectors worldwide expressed their passion in this auction for one of the greatest NBA players of all time, Boston Celtics great John Havlicek," said David Kohler, SCP Auctions president.

Havlicek played 16 seasons with the Boston Celtics, winning eight NBA titles. A 13-time NBA all-star, Havlicek is among the most decorated and admired basketball players in college and NBA history. Havlicek's collection, arguably one of the most important and comprehensive basketball player collections ever brought to market, included:

- Personal "NBA 50 Greatest Players" Autographed Lithograph (Havlicek 1/1) - \$80,750.40
- 1963 Boston Celtics World Championship Ring - \$68,481.60
- 1966 Signed NBA All-Star Game-Worn Jersey and Shorts - \$37,610.40
- 1960 Signed Ohio State Game-Worn Warm-Up Jacket - \$36,716.40
- 1960'S Boston Celtics Game-Worn and Signed green Road Jersey and Shorts - \$34,190.40
- 1960 Ohio State Buckeyes NCAA National Championship Ring - \$32,270.40
- 1977 Signed Official Wilson NBA Game Basketball used to score 25,000<sup>th</sup> point - \$32,270.40
- June 6, 1976 NBA Finals Game 6 (Championship Clinching) Game Ball - \$30,343.20

Prior to the auction, Havlicek commented, "I have been so blessed throughout my athletic career to be supported by the most wonderful fans. In addition to my teammates and coaches, the fans have been a constant source of inspiration and I attribute much of my success in basketball to them. I am proud to share

some of my personal career mementos with fans and collectors and hope they derive much joy from these items. My family and I wish to thank everyone for his or her continued support."

For full Session One results and more information on how to participate in Session Two, visit [www.scpauctions.com](http://www.scpauctions.com). A second offering of several significant pieces from Havlicek collection will be a part of the July auction.

### **About SCP Auctions**

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