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NEW ORLEANS JUDGE RECEIVES PURSUIT OF JUSTICE AWARD

CHICAGO, April 13, 2005— The American Bar Association Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section (TIPS) today announced that it will honor Judge Eldon E. Fallon, of the US District for the Eastern District of Louisiana, with a Pursuit of Justice Award. The award will be presented during the 2005 TIPS Spring meeting at the Task Force for Plaintiff's Involvement Reception, from 5 to 6 pm on Friday, April 29, Sheraton Hotel, New Orleans.

The Pursuit of Justice Award is awarded quarterly to recognize civil litigation attorneys who have shown outstanding merit and excelled at ensuring access to justice.

Fallon is widely known for his experience in complex multidistrict product liability litigation. His skill in handling complex pharmaceutical litigation was recognized this February when he was assigned to coordinate all pretrial motions and discovery in the federal liability cases involving Vioxx. He previously presided over litigation involving the drug Propulsid.

Fallon earned his B.A. degree from Tulane University, his J.D. from Louisiana State University Law School and an L.L.M. from Yale Law School. Fallon had a private practice and served as an adjunct professor at Tulane Law School until President Clinton appointed him to the US Eastern District Court of Louisiana in 1995. He was awarded the ABA Pro Bono Publico Award in 1987 and is a member of the American Law Institute.

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