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NEW ORLEANS LAWYER 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 Russ M. Herman, senior partner of Herman, Herman, Katz & Cotlar, LLP, 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, at the 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.

Senior Partner of Herman, Herman, Katz & Cotlar, LLP, and Chairman of the Board of Directors of Herman, Mathis, Casey, Kitchens & Gerel, LLP, Herman is a distinguished litigator and an expert in complex class action cases. He is one of the country's lead counsel on anti-tobacco litigation, serving as lead counsel in state class actions on behalf of individual claimants and also represented the Louisiana Attorney General. Aside from Herman's impressive track record in class action cases, he has worked in many areas of law including product liability, personal injury, medical, environmental, antitrust and construction cases.

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Herman earned his B.A. and L.L.B. degrees from Tulane University, where he is a frequent guest lecturer. He is a past president of the Louisiana Trial Lawyers Association, the American Trial Lawyers Association (ATLA), the Civil Justice Foundation, and the Roscoe Pound Foundation. ATLA has awarded him with a Lifetime Achievement Award and the Leonard Ring Champion of Justice Award.

For more information about the Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section visit the TIPS Web site, www.abanet.org/tips.

The ABA Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section is the only national professional group to bring together plaintiffs' lawyers, defense lawyers and insurance and corporate counsel for the exchange of information and ideas. The section's more than 30,000 members and 36 general committees focus on substantive and procedural matters in areas including aviation and space law, fidelity and surety law, medical malpractice, transportation law and others.

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