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Boston Lawyer Richard P. Campbell Named Recipient of Andrew C. Hecker Memorial Award

Award recognizes commitment to professionalism

CHICAGO, Jan. 14, 2009 — The American Bar Association Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section will honor Richard P. Campbell with the Andrew C. Hecker Memorial Award. The award, named in honor of the late Andrew C. Hecker of Philadelphia, is presented annually to those lawyers who have consistently demonstrated, and continue to demonstrate, the qualities of leadership, outreach, enthusiasm, professionalism and pride in TIPS and its accomplishments.

The award will be presented to Campbell during the ABA Midyear Meeting in Boston at the section's welcome and diversity reception on Friday, Feb. 13, at 6 p.m. The reception will be held at the John Adams Courthouse, One Pemberton Square.

Campbell is the founder of Campbell Campbell Edwards & Conroy Professional Corporation, a nationally recognized firm of trial lawyers with offices in Boston, Philadelphia and other cities in New England and New Jersey. He is a fellow of the American College of Trial Lawyers and is certified as a Civil Trial Advocate by the National Board of Trial Advocacy.

After receiving his Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of Massachusetts in 1970, Campbell earned his law degree, *cum laude*, from Boston College Law School. In 1995, the law school presented him with its highest award, the Founder's Medal, for his achievements and dedication to the law. He is admitted to practice in all courts of Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire, New Jersey, Rhode Island and Florida, the federal courts of Connecticut, Vermont, the Southern and Eastern Districts of New York, the Court of Appeals for the First Circuit and the United States Supreme Court. He currently serves as Chair of the Board of Overseers for Boston College Law School.

Campbell represents numerous national and international corporations in complex cases, including multi-district litigation, class actions, products liability, aviation, toxic tort and employment disputes. He has tried cases on behalf of clients in several states (including Massachusetts, Maine, New Hampshire and New Jersey) and has coordinated litigation in locations throughout the United States (including Pennsylvania, Texas, Montana,

Vermont, New York, Illinois, Kentucky and California). Currently, Campbell is a member of the Defense Executive Committee as representative of the non-carrier airlines in the litigation pending in the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York arising out of the terrorist attacks of September 11th.

A leader of state, national, and international bar associations, he has served as chair of TIPS and is a director of its National Trial Academy. After September 11th, the president of the ABA appointed him to its Task Force on Terrorism and the Law and then served as chair of the Task Force on the September 11th Victim Compensation Fund. Campbell served as dean of the International Association of Defense Counsel's Corporate Counsel College and has been a member of the executive committees of the International Association of Defense Counsel and the Product Liability Advisory Council.

Campbell is a frequent speaker at programs sponsored by professional organizations. His most recent presentations include "*Terrorism Insurance and War Risk Exclusions: Practical Views from the Cockpit to the Courtroom*," "*The Kean Commission Findings: In or Out?*" and "*Post-Traumatic Stress Syndrome, Fear of Flying and the Aviation Non-Event*."

He has published numerous articles on privacy, confidential information and the Constitution, including the lead article for the Boston College Law Review titled, "*The Protective Order in Products Liability Litigation: Safeguard or Misnomer?*" and a substantial monograph on protective orders and related Constitutional questions which he presented to the Product Liability Advisory Council. He was a contributing author for Matthew Bender's 1992 book, *Products Liability*, DRI's monograph "*The Crashworthiness Doctrine in Products Liability*" and the Practising Law Institute's 1992 publication "*Litigating the Complex Motor Vehicle Accident*". He was also a contributing author to Motor Vehicle Accident. Publications pertaining to aviation include September 11th "*Victim Compensation Fund: A Model for the Future?*" published in the Connecticut Insurance Law Journal, and "*America Acts: Swift Legislative Responses to the September 11th Attacks*", published in the Defense Counsel Journal.

Featured in *Boston Magazine*, *Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly* and *Boston Business Journal*, Campbell is also a frequent resource for television and radio programs on topics such as litigation, social host liability and the law.

The ABA Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section unites plaintiff, defense, insurance and corporate counsel to advance the civil justice system. TIPS is a national source of expertise in tort, trial and insurance practice and brings lawyers together to share information and speak out on issues of importance. The section, with over 32,000 members, has 34 general committees that focus on substantive and procedural matters in areas across the broad spectrum of civil law and practice. For more information about the Tort Trial & Insurance Practice Section visit the TIPS Web site, www.abanet.org/tips.

With more than 400,000 members, the American Bar Association is the largest voluntary professional membership organization in the world. As the national voice of the legal profession, the ABA works to improve the administration of justice, promotes programs that assist lawyers and judges in their work, accredits law schools, provides continuing legal education, and works to build public understanding around the world of the importance of the rule of law.

Editors Note: Reporters are welcome to attend the award presentation at the ABA Midyear Meeting. Media credentials can be obtained by contacting the ABA Press Room in the Hynes Convention Center, Exhibit Hall D, beginning Thursday, Feb. 12 or registering in advance at www.abanews.org. For more information on the award or TIPS contact Deborah Weixl, ABA Division for Media Relations and Communication Services, at 312/988-6126 or e-mail weixld@staff.abanet.org. On site, call 847/902-9019.