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**AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION'S
GOVERNMENT AND PUBLIC SECTOR LAWYERS DIVISION
ANNOUNCES WINNERS OF 2007 NATIONAL AWARDS**

WASHINGTON, D.C., May 10, 2007 –The American Bar Association's Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division today announced the recipients of its three annual awards for outstanding work in the government and public sector. The awards will be presented at a reception on August 10, 2007 in San Francisco, California at the Westin St. Francis from 5:00 to 6:30 p.m.

The 2007 Dorsey Award, honoring an outstanding public defender or legal aid lawyer, will be presented to Lucien B. Campbell, Federal Defender, Western District of Texas.

Lucien B. Campbell became the first and only Federal Defender for the Western District of Texas when he founded the Federal Defender's office in San Antonio in 1975. Prior to that, he served in the JAG Corps in Korea, and then as a felony prosecutor in the 144th and 175th District Courts in Bexar County, Texas. Campbell intends to retire in August 2007 after more than three decades in public service.

Campbell's office has changed much since 1975. He once supervised five attorneys in two offices working on 500 cases each year. Today, he oversees the work of 46 attorneys in four staffed offices handling over 6,000 cases per year, including many immigration and drug cases as his district borders Mexico. Campbell has always carried a substantial caseload in addition to his supervising duties. He has argued appeals before the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit, and won a unanimous verdict in the U.S. Supreme Court in *Hughey v. U.S.* (1990). During his tenure, his office won a favorable ruling in the landmark case, *U.S. v. Lopez* (1995) and in *U.S. v. Bond* (2000). With a substantial docket in his home District, Campbell served as acting federal public defender for the District of Puerto Rico from 1996-1997, dividing his time between Texas and Puerto Rico.

Campbell has spoken and written extensively for legal education programs and has worked with many attorneys and organizations on efforts to improve the court system, the federal defender program, and the quality of representation by defender organization attorneys. Campbell retires with a reputation for exceptional professionalism, integrity and an unwavering commitment to indigent defense.

The Hodson Award honors an outstanding government or public sector law office. The 2007 Hodson Award recipient is Community Legal Services, Inc., of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.

For more than 40 years, Community Legal Services (CLS) has provided high quality legal assistance to low-income Philadelphians who cannot afford legal services. CLS was created by the Philadelphia Bar Association in 1966 to help low-income Philadelphians fight consumer fraud and predatory lending, prevent homelessness, ensure fair treatment in the workplace, stabilize families, and protect women, children and the elderly. This year alone, CLS has helped over 17,000 residents of Philadelphia.

Beyond providing legal services, CLS advocates locally and nationally, profoundly impacts policy, and draws attention to emerging legal issues. In 1996, CLS rejected Legal Services Corporation (LSC) funding after Congress passed restrictions on organizations receiving LSC funds, including prohibitions on class actions and legislative and administrative advocacy. To continue its work unrestricted, CLS spun off a separate non-profit law firm to accept LSC funds and maximize legal services for low-income residents. CLS's many successful initiatives on behalf of low-income residents of Philadelphia have positioned it as both a model and a powerhouse within the civil legal aid community.

The 2007 Nelson Award, recognizing superior contributions to the ABA by a public lawyer, will go to David A. Anderson, Chief Deputy Clerk and Director of the Central Legal Staff, U.S. Court of Appeals for the Armed Forces. Anderson has been an ABA member since 1978. In 1994, Anderson began his service to the Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division (the Division) as Deputy Chair of the Newsletter Committee. For more than 10 years, he has served as Editor of *Reveille*, the newsletter of the Division's Military Lawyers Conference. Anderson researches and writes upwards of eight extremely thorough articles on military law for each issue. Despite the great demands of his job and the many hours he devotes to mentoring and tutoring academically challenged middle school students, Anderson continues to deliver articles of the highest quality.

Anderson was a member of the Division's council from 1997-2005, serving as Chair from 2003-2004. His ABA service extends beyond the Division. He presently serves on the ABA Standing Committee on Public Education, and has served in the past on three other ABA Standing Committees: Law and National Security (2001-2004); Legal Assistance for Military Personnel (1999-2001); and Armed Forces Law (1996-1999). He has also served as the Chair of the Judiciary Committee of the General Practice Section (1994-1996), Vice Chair of the

Military Law Committee of the General Practice Section (1996-2006), and the Newsletter Editor of the Military Law Committee of the General Practice Section (1990-1995).

For more information on these awards or the Government and Public Sector Lawyers Division, call Sarah Hilton at 202/662-1024 or visit www.governmentlawyer.org.