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The Attorney General's 54th Annual Awards Ceremony



Every day, the men and women of the U.S. Department of Justice work side by side with our partners to protect the American people from terrorism and crime, to enforce the Nation's laws, and to fulfill the mission of the Department of Justice. The Attorney General's Annual Awards Ceremony is an opportunity to take some time to thank some who have worked especially hard and who have achieved results on behalf of the American people.

The Attorney General's Awards are the highest honors granted by the Department of Justice. They recognize the exemplary efforts made by the award recipients and convey the Department's deepest appreciation for their hard work, devotion, and skill.

On this fifty-fourth celebration of the Attorney General's Awards, I thank all those we honor today for their service. May we all strive for excellence as we serve our Nation with integrity, commitment, and renewed dedication.

Alberto R. Gonzales
Attorney General

The Attorney General wishes to express his appreciation to the following Department officials for their assistance in evaluating this year's award nominations. The 2006 award recipients were recommended and selected from a group of over 660 highly qualified nominees.

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**U.S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE
54TH ANNUAL AWARDS CEREMONY
SEPTEMBER 12, 2006 – 2:00 P.M.
CONSTITUTION HALL**

PROGRAM

PRELUDE.....Metropolitan Police Department Concert Choir
The President’s Own – The U.S. Marine Corps Band

WELCOME.....The Honorable Paul J. McNulty
Deputy Attorney General

PRESENTATION OF COLORS
AND THE NATIONAL ANTHEMJoint Armed Forces Honor Guard
The President’s Own – The U.S. Marine Corps Band

INTRODUCTION OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERAL.....The Honorable Paul J. McNulty
Deputy Attorney General

REMARKS OF THE
ATTORNEY GENERALThe Honorable Alberto R. Gonzales
Attorney General

PRESENTATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL’S AWARD FOR

- Distinguished Service
- Excellence in Law Enforcement
- Excellence in Management
- Excellence in Information Technology
- Excellence in Furthering the Interests of U.S. National Security
- Equal Employment Opportunity Award
- Excellence in Legal Support
- Excellence in Administrative Support

PRESENTATION OF THE JOHN MARSHALL AWARDS FOR

- Trial of Litigation
- Participation in Litigation
- Support of Litigation
- Handling of Appeals
- Providing Legal Advice
- Asset Forfeiture
- Alternative Dispute Resolution
- Interagency Cooperation in Support of Litigation

PRESENTATION OF THE ATTORNEY GENERAL’S AWARD FOR

- Outstanding Service in Freedom of Information Act Administration
- Fraud Prevention
- Outstanding Contributions to Community Partnerships for Public Safety
- The Cubby Dorsey Award for Outstanding Service by a Federal Wage Grade System Employee
- Outstanding Contributions by a New Employee
- The Edward H. Levi Award for Outstanding Professionalism and Exemplary Integrity
- The Meritorious Public Service Award
- The William French Smith Award for Outstanding Contributions to Cooperative Law Enforcement

PRESENTATION OF

- The Mary C. Lawton Lifetime Service Award
- The Attorney General’s Award for Exceptional Heroism
- The Attorney General’s Award for Exceptional Service

CLOSING.....The Honorable Paul J. McNulty
Deputy Attorney General

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE

The Attorney General's Award for Distinguished Service is the Department's second highest award for employee performance. Twelve Distinguished Service Awards are presented this year.

Kevin C. Harrison

Assistant Special Agent in Charge

Joseph Ruggerio

Retired Group Supervisor
New Orleans Field Division

Jack H. Schumacher

Group Supervisor
Houston Field Division

Benjamin F. Hafer

Special Agent Pilot
Aviation Division
South Central Aviation Office

Daniel R. Salter

Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Dallas Field Division
Drug Enforcement Administration

Roxanna L. Irwin

Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal
Eastern District of Louisiana
U.S. Marshals Service

Michael J. Wolf

Special Agent in Charge

Todd B. Cox

Supervisory Special Agent
New Orleans Field Office
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Rosemary A. Hart

Special Counsel
Office of Legal Counsel

Elizabeth D. Chatelain

Division Counsel
New Orleans Field Division
Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives

James B. Letten
U.S. Attorney
Eastern District of Louisiana
David R. Dugas
U.S. Attorney
Middle District of Louisiana

In the aftermath of Hurricane Katrina, many Department employees responded to assist those most impacted. Though suffering enumerable personal losses, these employees prioritized the needs of others and service to the public above their personal needs and comfort. These recipients exemplify the highest commitment to the Department's mission. Among the recipients, a team of Drug Enforcement Administration special agents assisted with security patrols and ultimately rescued hundreds of civilians, including 90 abandoned elderly residents at a flooded nursing home. A Chief Deputy U.S. Marshal directed her district's recovery while ensuring that not one of the district's more than 400 prisoners was lost and by providing full protection for the district's Federal judges. An attorney coordinated and provided legal advice to the White House and other Executive Branch agencies during and after Hurricane Katrina, providing novel guidance under incredible time pressures. The Federal Bureau of Investigation assisted in establishing a Law Enforcement Coordination Center to manage the cooperative efforts of the many law enforcement entities converging on New Orleans. A new employee quickly packed her family and helped establish a temporary emergency office for her bureau. The Attorney General's Medallion is presented to James B. Letten and David R. Dugas for their leadership in support of response and recovery efforts.

Brian R. Beckwith
Chief, Training Academy
U.S. Marshals Service

Brian R. Beckwith has demonstrated outstanding professionalism and exemplary integrity over his eighteen-year career with the Department. Early in his career, he played a key role in security details for the Atlanta Summer Olympics after the Centennial Park bombing and for General Manuel Noriega. He also assisted in the investigations of the first World Trade Center bombing and the Branch Davidians. As Chief of the U.S. Marshals Training Academy, Mr. Beckwith was called upon to lead a deployment in the aftermath of the September 11th terrorist attacks to secure La Guardia and Kennedy airports. Four days after Hurricane Katrina struck, Chief Beckwith led a team to the Gulf Coast and relieved beleaguered police forces, identified and located registered sex offenders, and rounded-up fugitives responsible for the spike in crimes after the storm. In January 2006, Chief Beckwith was once again called to serve a critical agency need when he was selected to lead the Off-site Judicial Security Initiative, a national program to install home intrusion detection systems in Federal judges' homes in the wake of the murder of Judge Lefkow's mother and husband. Chief Beckwith has consistently demonstrated extraordinary strength of character in critical situations.

John D. Behnke
John H. Cronier
James W. Cross, Jr.
Daniel P. Sindall
Darin C. Werking
Special Agents
Velda L. North
Support Services Technician
Linda R. Urheim
Intelligence Analyst
Atlanta Division
Alexander Borzym II
Special Agent
Detroit Field Office
H. Joseph Ronisisvalle
Special Agent
Birmingham Field Office
Todd P. Letcher
Tracey A. North
Special Assistants to the Deputy Director
Office of the Deputy Director
Thomas J. Mohnal
Supervisory Special Agent
Laboratory Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation
Joseph R. Kennedy
Supervisory Special Agent
Chattanooga Field Office
Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives

The members of the Southeast Bomb Task Force pursued domestic terrorist Eric Rudolph for nine years after he attempted to disrupt the 1996 Summer Olympic Games in Atlanta, Georgia, by detonating one of the largest pipe bombs ever in the United States. The explosion resulted in the death of one individual and the

The years of hard work and dedication paid off when Rudolph entered guilty pleas on April 13, 2005. On August 22, 2005, Rudolph was sentenced to four life terms plus 120 years as punishment for his responsibility in the three Atlanta bombings. He had previously been given a life sentence in July in Birmingham, Alabama. The professionalism, skill, and dedication to duty displayed by the task force members is in keeping with the highest traditions of law enforcement.

John J. Connors
Senior Attorney
Office of Intelligence Policy and Review

John J. Connors is recognized for his exceptional dedication and efforts on behalf of the Office of Intelligence Policy and Review, both in terms of performing his core duties of filing applications before the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Court and in leading a key effort to enhance the productivity of the office. Mr. Connors, in serving as the technical point of contact for the Turbo FISA initiative, has contributed to the more efficient and effective processing of FISA applications, and has allowed attorneys to focus more on critical legal analysis, and less on administrative processing. The Turbo FISA Initiative, to which Mr. Connors has been dedicated for the past several years, has been approved by the Court and the initiative has been expanded to include other business processes within the office. An efficient FISA process is essential to the Nation's ability to obtain critical intelligence information on a timely basis to protect all of us from foreign threats. Mr. Connors has made important contributions to that national effort which are deserving of special recognition.

Nora R. Dannehy
Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney
District of Connecticut

Nora R. Dannehy is honored for her exemplary performance and truly extraordinary record of achievement in significant public corruption matters, including the prosecution of Governor John Rowland, members of his administration and other associates, and the prosecution of Connecticut Treasurer Paul Silvester, members of his family, and other associates. Her diligence and perseverance in the face of difficult challenges and lengthy investigations and her skilled advocacy have led not only to convictions and criminal sanctions for all those she pursued but also to significant reforms in the State of Connecticut, paving the way for better and more ethical government.

Blane K. Dessy
Director, Library Staff
Justice Management Division

Blane K. Dessy is recognized for his outstanding leadership in moving the Department's library from a static, print-based organization to a state-of-the-art information center with national reach. Mr. Dessy revolutionized legislative history research by digitizing rare and unique documents, making them accessible on a granular level, and expanding access to the entire Department. New policies, programs, publications, and methods of doing business have been instituted under his tenure which benefit Department employees nationwide.

John P. Fitzgerald
Assistant U.S. Trustee
Region 1

Henry G. Hobbs, Jr.
Assistant U.S. Trustee
Region 7

Mark A. Neal
Assistant U.S. Trustee
Region 4

Cynthia A. Burnette
Assistant U.S. Trustee
Region 21

Patricia D. Fahey
Assistant U.S. Trustee
Region 13

The team is honored for the outstanding leadership they displayed in successfully and swiftly implementing, on a national basis, the new credit counseling and financial education requirements contained in the Bankruptcy Abuse Prevention and Consumer Protection Act of 2005. The outstanding, tireless, and imaginative efforts of the recipients in an extremely short period of time resulted in successfully launching this country's new bankruptcy credit counseling and debtor education system.

Edwin S. Kneedler
Deputy Solicitor General
Irving L. Gornstein
Assistant to the Solicitor General
Office of the Solicitor General
Douglas N. Letter
Appellate Litigation Counsel
Scott R. McIntosh
Special Counsel
Appellate Staff
Joseph H. Hunt
Director
Vincent M. Garvey
Deputy Director
Federal Programs Branch
Gregory G. Katsas
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Civil Division
Mark T. Quinlivan
Assistant U.S. Attorney
District of Massachusetts

The recipients spearheaded the Department’s efforts in the appellate courts and Supreme Court in successfully defending the constitutionality of the Solomon Amendment, *Rumsfeld v. FAIR*. They took the lead in briefing the case in the Supreme Court, and in assisting the Solicitor General with the oral argument. The case presented an extraordinarily important and complex constitutional challenge to the method of military recruiting at universities across the country. The case also required delicate strategic judgments concerning whether to pursue Supreme Court review despite the interlocutory posture of the case and the arguments to emphasize given the complexity and volatility of this area of law. Their work ultimately resulted in a unanimous Supreme Court decision that not only upheld the constitutionality of the Solomon Amendment, but clarified several important First Amendment doctrines. The Supreme Court’s decision represents a critical victory for the Government and is a product of superb appellate lawyering. As a legal matter, the decision is likely to prove advantageous to the Government in subsequent cases given the breadth of the doctrinal arguments that the Court rejected in upholding Congress’s authority to require institutions that accept Federal funds to provide equal access to military recruiters. Their work deserves recognition for the extraordinary contribution and service that they provided to the United States.

Niall E. Lynch
Assistant Chief
Nathanael M. Cousins
May Y. Lee
Trial Attorneys
San Francisco Field Office
Antitrust Division

The recipients, through their leadership, dedication, and exceptional investigation and negotiation efforts, are responsible for significant criminal antitrust cartel prosecutions. These cases have broken up an international price-fixing cartel involving a crucial component, dynamic random access memory—DRAM—in a huge, critically important, U.S. high-technology industry. The fines, totaling more than \$730 million, reflect the harm that the cartel caused before it was detected, broken, and prosecuted. Additionally, ten high-level executives who are not U.S. citizens have voluntarily come to the United States, pleaded guilty, and agreed to serve prison terms of up to eight months, the longest ever for foreign nationals pleading to antitrust crimes. The DRAM team’s vigorous law enforcement efforts have not only produced outstanding results in eliminating substantial anti-competitive behavior in this significant industry, but also

Melinda B. Morgan
Director
Marcia K. Paull
Deputy Director
Finance Staff
Justice Management Division

Melinda B. Morgan and Marcia K. Paull have provided effective leadership and direction to the Department's financial audit community. Their vision, adaptability, and commitment to the resolution of complicated and diverse financial programs, have affected many of the Department's strategic law enforcement priorities. They have accomplished a rare feat in that they were able to obtain three clean financial audit opinions in one year. The restoration of both the Fiscal Years 2004 and 2003 opinion for one component has served as an outstanding example of the central role that both Ms. Morgan and Ms. Paull have played to ensure that the Department's financial opinion remains uncompromised. By instituting strong project management and validation of the Department's financial audit process, they have been able to bring rigorous discipline to many audit practices and business processes, which will have substantial benefits to the Department for many years.

Barbara Rowland
Assistant U.S. Attorney
Eastern District of Pennsylvania

Barbara Rowland achieved a major goal of the Department in her resolution of two significant civil fraud cases in the pharmaceutical arena, recapturing \$261.5 million for Federal health care programs. She showed outstanding productivity and creativity in the first fraud settlement against a pharmacy benefit manager, Advance PCS, which agreed to disclose previously hidden relationships with manufacturers to its health plan customers, and to stop switching patients from drugs they were prescribed to more expensive drugs. She took small allegations against a drug manufacturer and secured a wholesale refund to Medicaid of inadequate rebates the manufacturer owed to the program that was designed to give the benefit of the lowest price available in the marketplace for Medicaid beneficiaries.

Bryan Sierra
Public Affairs Specialist
Office of Public Affairs

Bryan Sierra's efforts to produce first rate work under difficult personal circumstances have inspired his colleagues in both the Office of Public Affairs and the Criminal Division. He has expertly managed media relations for complex and high profile cases, including the Padilla case, Enron, and the Moussaoui trial. His efforts to explain to the public the important work of the Department are extraordinary—he consistently goes beyond the call of duty, even accepting the dangerous mission of traveling with the Attorney General to Iraq in July 2005. Mr. Sierra is not only one of the best employees this office has ever had, he is also one of the finest, bravest human beings his colleagues have ever met.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LAW ENFORCEMENT

This award recognizes outstanding professional achievements by law enforcement officers. Four Excellence in Law Enforcement Awards are presented this year.

David P. Biddiscombe

James Langtry

Special Agents

New York Division

Federal Bureau of Investigation

Robert J. Brzeski

Detective

Nassau County Police Department

Nassau County, New York

The team is recognized for their outstanding initiative in dismantling the *Velt Gangsta Lanes* set of the Bloods gang in Roosevelt, New York, as part of the joint Federal and local *Operation Streetsweeper*. Their extraordinary cooperative efforts resulted in the apprehension and conviction of twenty-two Bloods gang members on racketeering charges involving everything from narcotics trafficking, to assaults with firearms and incendiary devices, to murder and attempted murder. Most recently their collaboration led to the conviction of Bloods gangster Laval Farmer, also known as "Murder," who was convicted of murder, attempted murder, racketeering conspiracy, and firearms offenses. In September 2001, Farmer shot and killed an innocent fourteen-year-old boy riding a bicycle in Roosevelt, New York. Farmer subsequently fled to Pennsylvania where, in July 2002, he shot another gang member at least seven times in the back, arm, shoulder, and head. As a result of his conviction, this remorseless, murderous predator will receive a statutorily mandated sentence of life imprisonment and is forever incapacitated from further harming the community.

Christopher M. Garay
Emergency Medical Technician
Federal Correctional Complex, Tucson
Federal Bureau of Prisons

Christopher M. Garay is honored for his bravery and ingenuity in fighting his way out of a housing unit overtaken by inmates, and his concern for his fellow staff members after the disturbance was contained. Mr. Garay was assaulted with homemade weapons, receiving numerous puncture wounds, scrapes, contusions, and a laceration to his head. Immediately upon being released from the hospital, Mr. Garay returned to the prison to assist with the investigation and prosecution of the inmates involved. Although not released to return to duty, he spoke to the other staff involved in the altercation. Mr. Garay assured them he was doing well, and that staff involved in the altercation should not blame themselves for his personal outcome from the incident. Mr. Garay's concern for his fellow staff members and the steps he has taken to ensure they continue with their recovery after this incident further exemplify his dedication to duty.

John M. Peluso
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
Mark Z. Manko
John E. Perfetti
John P. Francolla
Special Agents
New York Field Division
Drug Enforcement Administration
Geraldine A. Hart
David J. Wolf
Special Agents
New York Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

The group is recognized for their contributions in the investigation of former New York City Police Department detectives Louis Eppolito and Stephen Caracappa, who exploited their law enforcement positions to perpetrate a broad range of racketeering acts on behalf of the Luchese organized crime family. In addition to bringing these rogue officers to justice, the recipients cleared numerous homicides, recovered the body of a previously unknown victim, and secured the release of a wrongly incarcerated prisoner who had served nineteen years for a murder he never committed.

Theresa R. Stoop
Special Agent in Charge
David L. McCain
Assistant Special Agent in Charge
William J. Stringer
Group Supervisor
Thomas R. Daley
Scott R. Fulkerson
Tijuana N. Patty
Special Agents
Baltimore Field Division
Joseph M. Riehl
Chief
Arson and Explosives Programs Division
Federal Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, Firearms, and Explosives

The crime of arson, not only one of the most potentially damaging to life and property, can be one of the toughest to solve. A fifteen-agency task force, including the agents recognized with this award, conducted a twenty-two month investigation to catch a serial arsonist who was injuring and eventually killed two people within the Washington Metropolitan Area. The arsonist set fires to residences and blocked exits. The task force used every resource at its disposal to identify and apprehend the arsonist including video surveillance, thermal detection devices, bloodhounds, accelerant detection canines, law enforcement helicopters, forensic psychologists, behavioral profilers, geographical profilers, and more. The arsonist eluded law enforcement due to his careful planning, unique incendiary device, and his ability to cross a number of jurisdictions as he traveled in and out of Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Virginia. An exhaustive investigation led task force members to Thomas Sweatt. Sweatt confessed to setting 353 fires in 27 years. Residents of the Washington Metropolitan Area can now sleep easier knowing that the serial arsonist who had terrorized the community was now behind bars.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN MANAGEMENT

This award recognizes outstanding administrative or managerial achievements which have significantly improved operations, productivity, or reduced costs. One Excellence in Management Award is presented this year.

Frank V. Hall

Director of Administration
U.S. Attorney's Office
Middle District of Florida

Frank V. Hall is honored for his distinguished service in an exemplary manner for twenty-six years in the Middle District of Florida, to the Executive Office for U.S. Attorneys, and to numerous other U.S. Attorney's Offices. His abilities and accomplishments have provided outstanding support to the litigation mission and serve as a model for other Districts. Mr. Hall is known as a mentor in solving complex issues. Finally, his service during the six hurricanes over the past two years is heroic. Mr. Hall has dedicated his professional life to the mission of the Department in a distinguished manner.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY

This award recognizes outstanding achievements in applying information technology to improve operations and productivity, reduce or avoid costs, and solve problems. Three Excellence in Information Technology Awards are presented this year.

Catherine M. Harnett

Chief of Demand Reduction Programs

Maureen C. Bory

Demand Reduction Coordinator

Deborah S. Augustine

Victim Witness Specialist

Michael J. Turner

Special Agent/Staff Coordinator

Demand Reduction Section

Tammy L. Bowman

Amy L. Warren

Barbara L. Wetherell

Public Affairs Specialists

Office of Congressional and Public Affairs

Drug Enforcement Administration

The efforts of the Drug Enforcement Administration's Demand Reduction Section in developing a teen anti-drug website is an outstanding example of leadership in utilizing information technology to highlight the Department's mission using minimal monetary resources. The site, which is visited approximately 200,000 times per month, was conceived, designed, and implemented for under \$45,000. The initiative displayed in developing this site has been an invaluable asset in spreading the anti-drug message to teenagers throughout the United States.

Greg D. Kesner
Electronics Engineer
Operational Technology Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Greg D. Kesner is recognized for efforts in overcoming incredible technical challenges and executing the highest quality of electronic surveillance measures in support of the Department's counterterrorism mission. Mr. Kesner's extraordinary contributions have been unparalleled. Mr. Kesner's acumen in data intercept technology has contributed to the capture of terrorist and the deterrence of other terrorist activity in this post September 11th era. Through his leadership and guidance, new data intercept methods and capabilities in network electronic surveillance have set the course for the law enforcement and intelligence community.

Wayne E. Towson
Information Technology Specialist
Information Technology Section
U.S. National Central Bureau of Interpol

During the past year, the expertise, leadership, and hard work of Wayne E. Towson have been instrumental in accomplishing the Department's information sharing initiatives and goal of making Interpol's databases and resources—encompassing criminal law enforcement information from 184 countries—accessible to U.S. law enforcement authorities, including Federal, State, and local agencies. This access to international police resources is critical to efforts to protect its borders, fight terrorism, locate and arrest fugitives, and investigate crimes.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN FURTHERING THE INTERESTS OF U.S. NATIONAL SECURITY

This award recognizes outstanding achievements and contributions towards protecting U.S. national security. One Excellence in Furthering the Interests of U.S. National Security Award is presented this year.

John W. Van Lonkhuyzen

Trial Attorney

Gregory A. Miller

Counterterrorism Support Specialist and Security Officer

Suzette R. Buttram

Former Paralegal Specialist

Counterterrorism Section

Criminal Division

David J. Novak

Senior Litigation Counsel

Karen M. Spinks

Victim Witness Coordinator

Aaron M. Zebley

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Nancy J. Kramp

Lynn H. Johnson

Sheila A. Lee

Paralegal Specialists

Debra C. Vainio

Lead Legal Assistant

Pamela A. Benson

Michael J. Tesar

Intelligence Research Specialists

Crystal A. Griego

Victim Witness Specialist

Robert A. Spencer

Former Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney

Eastern District of Virginia

David A. Raskin

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Harry J. Brady, Jr.
Intelligence Research Specialist

Gerard C. Francisco
Legal Administration Specialist

Wendy Olsen Clancy
Victim Witness Specialist
Southern District of New York

Kevin Gingras
Trial Attorney
Criminal Section
Civil Rights Division

James M. Fitzgerald

Brian L. Getson

Lisa M. Rich

Matthew M. Gutierrez
Special Agents

Joan-Marie Turchiano
Supervisory Special Agent

Brenda Holley
Technical Information Specialist
New York Division

Jacqueline Maguire

Matthew G. Walsh
Special Agents
Washington Field Office

Lisa B. Eie
Special Agent
San Diego Field Office
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Christine E. Gunning
Security Specialist
Security and Emergency Planning Staff
Justice Management Division

Raymond A. Guidetti
Detective Sergeant First Class
New Jersey State Police

Jonathan H. Ferry

John L. McPherson
Agents
Central Intelligence Agency

The trial team in the Moussaoui case overcame numerous obstacles in what was an extremely complex and extended national security case. Ultimately, they were able to uphold the Department's goal—the prevention of terrorist attacks and the protection of national security—by securing the guilty plea of an avowed Al Qaeda terrorist, and seeing that he spends the rest of his days in prison.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

This is the Department's highest award for performance in support of the Equal Employment Opportunity program. One Equal Employment Opportunity Award is presented this year.

Alice H. Roberson
Mail Supervisor
Facilities and Logistics Services Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Alice H. Roberson has demonstrated unwavering commitment to disabled employees over the past ten years. During this time, she coordinated the installation of visual sounding alarms, large computer monitors, special software, and TDY equipment for safety purposes and to facilitate better communication. Ms. Roberson has spent countless hours providing one-to-one training, direction, and guidance. When serious issues have developed, she has not hesitated to contact the Bureau's Office of Equal Employment Opportunity Affairs or the Employee Assistance Program for guidance and assistance. Ms. Roberson has continually encouraged her employees to perform above and beyond expectations. She has encouraged employees to further their professional development and self confidence. Through her support, many employees have been promoted to more senior positions both within and outside of the Department.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN LEGAL SUPPORT

This award recognizes outstanding achievements in the field of legal support to attorneys by paralegal specialists and other legal assistants. Three Excellence in Legal Support Awards are presented this year.

PARALEGAL CATEGORY

Leedie F. Cox

Supervisory Paralegal Specialist
Office of International Affairs
Criminal Division

Leedie F. Cox receives this award for outstanding paralegal support in the Office of International Affairs, where she works with a team of five attorneys and handles a docket of nearly four hundred active cases. Ms. Cox, who specializes in law enforcement cooperation with Asia, has provided critical assistance to prosecutors and agents in obtaining the return of hundreds of fugitives from abroad and securing foreign evidence for numerous investigations and prosecutions. Her successes reflect outstanding organizational skills and a remarkable knowledge of foreign law and practice, as well as an extraordinary network of contacts in U.S. law enforcement agencies, the U.S. Department of State, the diplomatic community, and among foreign police and prosecutors. Ms. Cox is the standard-bearer for integrity and hard work. In an area where timing often means the difference between getting the fugitive or a critical piece of evidence and having the person or item slip beyond reach, Ms. Cox always puts forth the extra effort to ensure success. Ms. Cox's work has contributed directly to the Department's criminal justice missions, including its part in the global War on Terror and efforts to stem the flow of illegal drugs, as well as homicide, sexual assault, and exploitation of children.

Deidre Williams
Paralegal Specialist
Office of General Counsel
Federal Bureau of Prisons

Deidre Williams assists attorneys with the organization of thousands of discovery documents; drafting of memos on staff domestic violence cases; and defending the agency before the Federal District Courts and various administrative bodies. In select administrative cases, she was assigned as the agency representative. She also assists Employee Service Managers nationwide with hundreds of compressed work schedules to ensure compliance with Federal statute, and assists in the presentation of related matters before the Federal Service Impasse Panel. Finally, Ms. Williams is responsible for tracking approximately 600 cases for the branch and is currently assisting with the development of an automated tracking system. Through her efforts, administrative skills, hard work, and dedication, she has become a pivotal factor in making the Labor Law Branch an efficient legal operation.

LEGAL SUPPORT CATEGORY

Brian Allen Barker

Kathleen L. Crowl

Richard H. Dean

Roberta A. Hatcher

Charles R. Mays

Sarah E. Phillips

Dorothy L. Riddle

M. Jeanne Zickefoose

Legal Administrative Specialists

Todd D. Mullenax

Supervisory NICS Liaison Specialist

R. Marc Chamberlain

NICS Liaison Specialist

Criminal Justice Information Services Division

Federal Bureau of Investigation

The National Instant Criminal Background Check System–NICS–Legal Research and Analysis Team is recognized for providing legal opinions, interpretations, and responses concerning State and Federal firearms and criminal laws. In July 2005, a longstanding opinion involving the processing of Misdemeanor Crimes of Domestic Violence prohibitions for the Brady Act was changed. The team was asked to research, interpret, and implement a multitude of changes for every State and U.S. territory regarding the processing of these prohibitions. With four months of constant research, this very complex project was sent for review. Today, NICS operates and processes Misdemeanor Crimes of Domestic Violence prohibitions based on the team’s findings.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCELLENCE IN ADMINISTRATIVE SUPPORT

This award recognizes outstanding performance in administrative or managerial support by an administrative employee or secretary. Four Excellence in Administrative Support Awards are presented this year.

ADMINISTRATIVE CATEGORY

Eva M. Gilbert

Special Deputation Specialist
Investigative Services Division
U.S. Marshals Service

Eva M. Gilbert has demonstrated tireless efforts in ensuring the completion of 6,866 requests for special deputation in 2005, an increase of over 2,000 requests from the previous year. Two major events attributed to this increase. Each required a very short turn around. The first event, *Operation Falcon*, was a nationwide fugitive apprehension operation that combined Federal, State, and local law enforcement to locate and apprehend criminals wanted for crimes of violence. The second event was Hurricane Katrina. Ms Gilbert responded in processing 1,066 deputation requests in a very short time.

Diane M. Raney
Special Investigative Support Technician
Federal Correctional Institution, Phoenix
Federal Bureau of Prisons

On two occasions within the past year, Diane M. Raney displayed extraordinary strength of character. On November 4, 2005, a high-profile inmate was fatally assaulted at the Federal Correctional Institution, Phoenix. Ms. Raney was largely responsible for administrative duties and gained a large amount of intelligence which suggested more than one inmate was responsible for the incident. Her

SECRETARIAL CATEGORY

Karen A. Hanson

Staff Assistant/Office Manager
Aviation and Admiralty Section
Torts Branch
Civil Division

Karen A. Hanson is honored for her outstanding support of one of the most active litigating sections of the Torts Branch. For the past twenty years, she has been the glue that has held the office together, acting as secretary to the Director and senior staff attorneys, as well as managing all support personnel and undertaking multiple management initiatives on her own accord. She assumed responsibility for overseeing the recent physical renovation of the office spaces, ensuring that contractors were held to high standards of performance. As a result of her untiring efforts, the office renovation was timely and properly completed, with minimum disruption. Over the last year, which saw the simultaneous retirement of the office's Director and Assistant Director, as well as substantial retooling of the office support staff, Ms. Hanson worked tirelessly to maintain continuity and productivity through turbulent times. She is simply invaluable, and is recognized as such by every member of the staff.

Cameo D. Hoey

Secretary
Disability Rights Section
Civil Rights Division

Cameo D. Hoey is recognized for her outstanding contributions to the Civil Rights Division's *Justice Project*. The *Justice Project* is an initiative to reinvigorate enforcement of disability rights laws in adult correctional and juvenile justice facilities. Ms. Hoey almost single-handedly eliminated a massive backlog of prisoner complaints that had accumulated over several years. She typed thousands of responsive letters to inmates. She made thousands of entries into the correspondence tracking system. She cleared out file cabinets, sent files to records, and arranged to burn certain material as appropriate. She further completed the paperwork to close hundreds of old matters to ensure the interactive case management system reflects the actual docket. Simultaneously, she ably provided secretarial support for hundreds of other investigations pursued under the Americans with Disabilities Act. In sum, her work has contributed greatly to the work of the Department in enforcing and protecting the rights of persons with disabilities.

THE JOHN MARSHALL AWARD

The John Marshall Awards are the Department's highest awards presented to attorneys for contributions and excellence in legal performance. Twelve awards in the eight category awards are presented this year.

TRIAL OF LITIGATION

Todd J. Cochran
Kevin B. Crawford
Scott R. Damelin
John C. Ekman
Stephen P. Finn
Joshua E. Gardner
Heide L. Herrmann
Sonia M. Orfield
Russell A. Shultis
Sharon A. Snyder
Marian E. Sullivan
Elizabeth A. Thomas
Trial Attorneys
Harold D. Lester, Jr.
Assistant Director
Alan J. Lo Re
Senior Trial Counsel
National Courts Section
Civil Division

The Spent Nuclear Fuel Litigation Team is recognized for outstanding work in defending claims in sixty-six separate cases pending before eighteen different trial court judges. The cases arise from the delay by the Department of Energy in beginning acceptance of spent nuclear fuel from the commercial nuclear utility industry pursuant to contracts mandated by the Nuclear Waste Policy Act. Without a repository or an alternative location at which to store spent nuclear fuel, the Department of Energy has been unable to accept any spent nuclear fuel and does not currently anticipate that it will be able to do so for several years. The recipients had faced a daunting challenge in attempting to respond to damages claims totaling approximately \$50 billion and in seeking to limit recoverable damages to those specifically resulting from the delay itself. They minimized the Government's costs associated with this effort by persuading the trial court to

coordinate discovery among all of the plaintiffs to minimize duplicative and repetitive discovery. These efforts have been highly successful to date. In response to the first trial on damages, the trial team convinced the Court that the plaintiff had not yet suffered any damage and should be required to return to the Court in the future if, and when, it actually incurred any damage. The trial court's decision was recently affirmed on appeal. The team has negotiated settlements favorable to the Government in four different cases, with additional settlements likely in the near future.

Amy Jeffress
Matthew G. Olsen
Assistant U.S. Attorneys
District of Columbia

Amy Jeffress and Matthew G. Olsen successfully prosecuted one of the most violent criminal organizations in *United States v. Kevin Gray, et al.*, a RICO conspiracy case charging sixteen defendants with terrorizing neighborhoods in

PARTICIPATION IN LITIGATION

David H. Laufman
Stephen M. Campbell
Assistant U.S. Attorneys
Eastern District of Virginia

Marla B. Tusk
Trial Attorney

Jerry R. DeMaio
Former Trial Attorney
Counterterrorism Section
Criminal Division

The team is recognized for their outstanding performance in the investigation, prosecution, and conviction of Al Qaeda conspirator Ahmed Omar Abu Ali. Their work on this highly complex terrorism case brought together numerous Government agencies, and helped secure unprecedented support from the Government of Saudi Arabia. The team has exemplified the Criminal Division's efforts to prevent terrorism and promote national security by securing the conviction and incapacitation of a dangerous Al Qaeda operative before he could do harm to this country.

Sally Quinn Yates
First Assistant U.S. Attorney
R. Joseph Burby, Jr.
John Horn
Assistant U.S. Attorneys
Phyllis B. Sumner
Former Assistant U.S. Attorney
Northern District of Georgia
William R. Chambers, Jr.
Michael W. Whisonant
Assistant U.S. Attorneys
Robert J. McLean
Former Assistant U.S. Attorney
Northern District of Alabama

The team is recognized for their outstanding partnership in successfully investigating and prosecuting Eric Robert Rudolph for the deadly bombings in Atlanta, Georgia, and Birmingham, Alabama. Throughout the lengthy investigation, manhunt, discovery phase, pretrial hearings, and plea negotiations, the recipients displayed a deep commitment to obtaining justice for the victims of the three bombings in Atlanta and the bombing in Birmingham, and to protecting the public from any future harm at the hands of this dangerous domestic terrorist. Their work exemplifies the highest degree of skill, professionalism, integrity, and dedication in the Department.

SUPPORT OF LITIGATION

Kevin M. Cassidy

Noreen E. McCarthy

Andrea T. Steward

Trial Attorneys

Christopher J. Costantini

Daniel W. Dooher

Deborah L. Harris

Richard A. Poole

Senior Trial Attorneys

Andrew D. Goldsmith

Assistant Section Chief

H. Claire Whitney

Senior Counsel

Environmental Crimes Section

Environment and Natural Resources Division

Ralph J. Marra, Jr.

First Assistant U.S. Attorney

Norv McAndrew

Assistant U.S. Attorney

District of New Jersey

Robert O. Posey

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Northern District of Alabama

Arnold A. Spencer

Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney

Eastern District of Texas

Leshia M. Lee-Dixon

Assistant U.S. Attorney

District of Utah

The team is honored for their hard work on a nationally coordinated series of prosecutions that served to bring justice to one of the Nation's most egregious violators of environmental and worker safety laws. McWane, Inc., was convicted after trials in two districts and pleas in three districts in five separate cases involving conspiracy and violations of the Clean Water Act, Clean Air Act, Resource Conservation and Recovery Act, and Occupational Safety and Health

Act. McWane, Inc., headquartered in Birmingham, Alabama, is a major manufacturer of cast-iron pipes. The Environmental Crimes Section spearheaded nationwide investigations of McWane Inc., facilities, including facilities in Alabama, New Jersey, Texas, and Utah. Without the efforts of each recipient, this result would not have been possible.

Scott J. Glick

Deputy Counsel for Criminal Matters
Office of Intelligence Policy and Review

Scott J. Glick is recognized for his exceptional dedication and effort on behalf of the Office of Intelligence Policy and Review in supporting nationwide litigation involving the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. In the past few years, the Office of Intelligence Policy and Review has seen a dramatic increase in the number of Federal prosecutions involving information obtained from authorizations secured under the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. Mr. Glick has played a paramount role in coordinating such litigation through the Department, U.S. Attorneys offices, and members of the intelligence community. He has been involved in drafting numerous pleadings for cases around the country, both classified and unclassified, in addition to reviewing such documents and coordinating requests for use authority to the Attorney General pursuant to the Foreign Intelligence Surveillance Act. His efforts have provided tremendous support to the litigation teams around the country prosecuting such cases, and have proved critical to fighting terrorism and protecting our national security.

HANDLING OF APPEALS

Alisa B. Klein

Attorney
Appellate Staff
Civil Division

Alisa B. Klein is honored for her efforts during the past decade. In that time, she has achieved extraordinary victories in some of Civil Divisions' most important and sensitive cases. These include the successful defense of many significant statutes including the Family and Medical Leave Act, Controlled Substances Act, Telecommunications Act, and Driver's Privacy Protection Act. Ms. Klein has achieved a remarkable series of victories in the Courts of Appeals in litigation under the Medicare Secondary Payer Act. She secured both immediate gains to the Medicare program in one case alone amounting to \$10 million and long-term savings in the hundreds of millions. Ms. Klein consistently displayed an unparalleled ability to evaluate a complex legal problem, distill its essence, and present the Government's position to the Court of Appeals in a manner so compelling that its merit cannot be denied.

David B. Salmons

Assistant to the Solicitor General
Office of the Solicitor General

David B. Salmons is acknowledged for his exemplary legal skills and the major role he has played in some of the most pressing issues facing the country in the area of appellate litigation and the ongoing War on Terror. He has prevailed on behalf of the Federal Government in many important cases that he has argued including cases involving the scope of the knock-and-announce rule under the Fourth Amendment, *Hudson v. Michigan*; and the scope of constitutional and statutory prohibitions on discrimination in housing, *City of Cuyuga Falls v. Buckeye Community Hope Foundation*. He has prepared the Government's brief in the Supreme Court for cases involving the President's authority to detain captured enemy combatants, *Rasul v. Bush*; *Rumsfeld v. Padilla*; and a separation-of-powers challenge to the Vice President's assertion of executive privilege against discovery into the deliberations of an Executive Branch task force, *Cheney v. U.S.* In addition, Mr. Salmons has been an indispensable member of a small team of lawyers in the Office of the Solicitor General that

have handled litigation on behalf of the Government in cases involving challenges to the President's detention of enemy combatants in the wake of the attacks of September 11th. Mr. Salmons has become one of the Department's pre-eminent appellate specialists in the field of civil rights law. Mr. Salmons combines professional excellence in the area of appellate advocacy with an unbounded commitment to the Department and its mission.

PROVIDING LEGAL ADVICE

Michael J. Elston

Chief of Staff and Counselor

Office of the Deputy Attorney General

Michael J. Elston is honored for providing outstanding legal advice, leadership, and excellence related to the appellate work of the Eastern District of Virginia. His contributions to the development of Fourth Amendment jurisprudence and sentencing law, and his assistance in the Eastern District of Virginia's significant terrorism-related investigations and prosecutions, is recognized. Under his leadership, the U.S. Attorneys' Office revolutionized and improved the way it prepares and presents cases in the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fourth Circuit. He successfully appealed suppression orders in numerous drug and child pornography cases, and he successfully advanced the Government's interests in several appeals in important terrorism and terrorism financing matters, including *United States v. Moussaoui* and *Media General Operations, Inc. v. Buchanan*.

ASSET FORFEITURE

Sharon Cohen Levin

Raymond J. Lohier

Kevin R. Puvalowski

Assistant U.S. Attorneys

Southern District of New York

The recipients are recognized for their outstanding dedication, diligence, and professional skill in connection with a case that is a paradigm of how asset forfeiture can be used to recover assets abroad—in this instance, \$200 million for crime victims. In 2000 and 2001, the senior executives of the AremisSoft Corporation secretly sold hundreds of millions of dollars of AremisSoft stock while purposely announcing fictitious revenues and exaggerating the significance of the acquisition of essentially worthless corporations. After the fraud was discovered in 2001, approximately \$175 million in fraud proceeds were traced to bank accounts in the Isle of Man, where they were frozen pursuant to legal assistance request. That freeze sparked years of litigation in the U.S. and in the Isle of Man. The recipients, with the assistance of the Attorney General of the Isle of Man and the Security Exchange Commission, fought repeated challenges to the freeze and obtained, in the process, a decision in the Isle of Man of vital precedential value upholding the potential registration in that jurisdiction of a civil asset forfeiture judgment obtained via default. When it became clear, in 2005, that the U.S. was on the verge of successfully repatriating the frozen funds from the Isle of Man, the perpetrator gave in, came to the U.S., pled guilty, and agreed to repatriate \$200 million to the U.S. constituting all of the AremisSoft stock sale proceeds in his possession, plus interest. Since that time, the recipients have continued to pursue, in partnership with representatives of the victims and with numerous law enforcement agencies in the U.S. and overseas, the assets of other defendants, which has directly contributed to current actions being pursued in the U.S., the Isle of Man, Cyprus, Switzerland, the United Kingdom, India, and the British Virgin Islands.

ALTERNATIVE DISPUTE RESOLUTION

Elizabeth L. Bacon
Josh C. Mendelsohn
Naomi H. Milton
Mellie H. Nelson
Supervisory Trial Attorneys
Beth A. Esposito
Dov Lutzker
Sunny Pietrafesa
Trial Attorneys
Mary Lou Mobley
Former Trial Attorney
Hilary L. Martinson
Attorney Advisor
Jeanine M. Worden
Deputy Chief
Disability Rights Section
Civil Rights Division

The recipients have used alternative dispute resolution to successfully negotiate a series of formal settlement agreements with some of the largest cities and counties in the United States. As a result of their efforts under *Project Civic Access*, the Department's wide-ranging initiative to bring cities and counties into voluntary compliance with the requirements of the Americans with Disabilities Act and Section 504 of the Rehabilitation Act, this team made access to local government programs a reality for more than 1.3 million people with disabilities nationwide.

*INTERAGENCY COOPERATION
IN SUPPORT OF LITIGATION*

Brian R. Howe

Assistant U.S. Attorney
District of New Jersey

Stuart Rabner

Chief Counsel to the Governor
State of New Jersey

The recipients are recognized for their outstanding performance in investigating and prosecuting the case against Hemant Lakhani, who was convicted of attempting to provide material support to terrorists by offering to sell shoulder fired missiles for the purpose of shooting down commercial airliners in the United States; unlawful brokering of foreign defense articles; money laundering; and attempting to import merchandise into the United States by means of false statements. The exemplary work of Brian Howe and Stuart Rabner yielded a sentence of 47 years for the defendant.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING SERVICE IN FREEDOM OF INFORMATION ACT ADMINISTRATION

This award recognizes exceptional dedication and effort to the implementation of the Freedom of Information Act. One Outstanding Service in Freedom of Information Act Administration Award is presented this year.

J. Brian Ferrel

Senior Division Counsel for FOIA and Privacy Act Matters
Civil Trial Section, Eastern Region
Tax Division

J. Brian Ferrel is honored for his distinguished management of the Tax Division's FOIA Unit as well as the FOIA-related litigation. Due to Mr. Ferrel's guidance and supervision, the Tax Division eliminated its backlog of FOIA requests and, for several years, has responded to all FOIA requests in a timely manner. During the same period, Mr. Ferrel has led and guided Division attorneys to several important victories in litigation that directly and favorably impact tax administration. Mr. Ferrel's case supervision has been creative, incisive, and determined. His careful balancing of the privacy concerns manifest in taxpayers information with the FOIA's mandate for openness has been exemplary, and a model of FOIA administration.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR FRAUD PREVENTION

This award recognizes exceptional dedication and effort to prevent, investigate, and prosecute fraud and white collar crimes. One Fraud Prevention Award is presented this year.

Salvador R. Perricone

Assistant U.S. Attorney
Eastern District of Louisiana

Nicola Mrazek

Trial Attorney

Jonathan J. Rusch

Senior Counsel

Paul E. Pelletier

Acting Chief

Fraud Section

Monique P. Roth

Special Counsel

Robert E. Coughlin II

Deputy Chief of Staff

Office of the Assistant Attorney General

Criminal Division

Lewis M. Chapman

Howard Schwartz

Supervisory Special Agents

Donald L. Bostic, Jr.

William M. Carter

John Brady Casey

Dewayne J. Horner

Jennifer L. Orona

Edward W. Reed

Peter G. Smith

Dennis Swikert

Special Agents

Rebecca Lynn Giddens

Support Services Technician

New Orleans Division

Keith B. Moses
Supervisory Special Agent
Henry S. Huntsberry
Robert E. Pine, Jr.
Joseph A. Skarda
Special Agents
Jackson Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

The recipients worked tirelessly—often seven days a week, and around the clock—to make the Joint Command Center an effective vehicle for the aggressive investigation and prosecution of hurricane fraud-related cases throughout the country. Their efforts were directly responsible for the rapid establishment of lines of communications and coordination among numerous Federal agencies and Inspectors General, as well as State and local law enforcement, and for expediting information-sharing and cooperation between agencies for investigations and prosecutions.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO COMMUNITY PARTNERSHIPS FOR PUBLIC SAFETY

This award recognizes outstanding achievement in the development and support of community partnerships designed to address public safety within a community. One Outstanding Contributions to Community Partnerships for Public Safety Award is presented this year.

Peter J. Elliott

U.S. Marshal
Northern District of Ohio

Gregory A. White

U.S. Attorney
Northern District of Ohio

C. Jay Matthews

Senior Pastor
Mt. Sinai Baptist Church

Dick Russ

Managing Editor
WKYC Television

Darren B. Toms

Assistant News Director
Clear Channel WTAM

Michael C. McGraph

Chief of Police

Charles R. See

Director
Lutheran Ministries Community Re-Entry
Cleveland, Ohio

Douglas S. Weiner

D.C. Strategic Group
Aurora, Ohio

Robert L. Tobik

Public Defender

William D. Mason

Prosecutor

Thomas J. Pokorny
Court Administrator
Gerald T. McFaul
Sheriff
Cuyahoga County
Richard J. McMonagle
Administrative Judge
John E. Monce
Director
Ohio Bureau of Criminal Investigation
London, Ohio

The team is honored for conceiving and leading a unique fugitive apprehension initiative that became known as *Fugitive Safe Surrender* in 2005. Under the direction of the U.S. Marshals Service, the initiative brought together local prosecutors, community leaders, and Federal, State, and local law enforcement to create an environment where fugitives were encouraged to surrender at a local church, guaranteeing their safety and that of the surrounding community. Using the persuasive powers of local religious leaders, and the promotional powers of local media, the fugitives surrendered, were processed, and received initial judicial appearances in a non-threatening environment provided by the Mount Sinai Baptist Church in Cleveland, Ohio. *Fugitive Safe Surrender* resulted in the peaceful surrender of 842 fugitives, including 324 fugitive felons. Due to its success, it will soon be implemented in cities across the Nation.

THE CUBBY DORSEY AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS BY A WAGE GRADE SYSTEM EMPLOYEE

This award recognizes extraordinary performance and contributions by wage grade system employees, including laborers, mechanics, and skilled craft workers. One Cubby Dorsey Award for Outstanding Service by a Federal Wage Grade System Employee is presented this year.

Joseph Lewis Sawyer
Motor Vehicle Operator Supervisor
Facilities and Logistics Services Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

Joseph Lewis Sawyer is recognized for outstanding leadership and extraordinary efforts during a most difficult period of time in our Nation's history. Mr. Sawyer's actions since the anthrax attacks on our Nation's mail system in 2001 has enabled the Federal Bureau of Investigation to communicate better, faster, and without disruption. He successfully coordinated the movement, screening, and delivery of millions of pieces of mail for the Federal Bureau of Investigation to ensure the most effective and efficient mail operation. His dedication to duty

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS BY A NEW EMPLOYEE

This award recognizes exceptional performance and notable accomplishments towards the Department's mission by an employee with fewer than five years of Federal career service. The Attorney General's Award for Outstanding Contributions by a New Employee is presented to four employees.

Mark R. Freeman

Attorney
Appellate Staff
Civil Division

Mark R. Freeman is recognized for his crucial role in achieving favorable results in some of the Department's most sensitive appellate litigation. In *Cobell v. Norton*, an Indian Trust case that has presented virtually unrivaled appellate challenges, Mr. Freeman played a key role in several appeals and emergency stays. He helped achieve a highly favorable appellate decision that saved the Government approximately \$12 billion in expenditures. In *In re Cheney*, he provided crucial assistance in the Federal Government's *en banc* victory, protecting the ability of the President to obtain confidential advice from his advisors. Mr. Freeman's demonstrated skills are extraordinary and his dedication to the public interest is in the best traditions of the Department.

Allison P. Gioia

Assistant U.S. Attorney
Western District of New York

Allison P. Gioia is honored for her exemplary work in her three years of service to the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Western District of New York, which includes repeatedly volunteering to serve as a second chair in trials, in addition to a caseload of cases involving complex fraud matters. Her hard work, initiative, and dedication to child exploitation cases are exceptional.

Monsita Lecaroz-Arribas

Assistant U.S. Trustee
Region 21

Monsita Lecaroz-Arribas receives this award for her inspired leadership of the office of the U.S. Trustee for the District of Puerto Rico, particularly in efforts to combat fraud and abuse in the bankruptcy system. Her superb judgment, reliability, thoroughness, intelligence, organizational skills, aggressiveness, and professionalism have contributed immeasurably to the office's success in accomplishing its mission. Under her management, the office has become a leader in its criminal and civil enforcement efforts. The fact that she has achieved these accomplishments in less than two years of service to the Department merits honor.

Jeffrey M. Tapick

Trial Attorney
Land Acquisition Section
Environment and Natural Resources Division

Jeffrey M. Tapick has been with the Department for a little over two years, but excelled so quickly that he has been entrusted with some of the Environment and Natural Resources Division's most challenging, sensitive, and financially-significant cases. His impressive oral and written legal advocacy played a critical role in two jury trials, involving lands needed for the protection of our Nation's borders and our troops, that resulted in verdicts saving the taxpayers more than \$100 million. Mr. Tapick's commitment, energy, and interpersonal abilities are evident in every matter he capably tackles.

EDWARD H. LEVI AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PROFESSIONALISM AND EXEMPLARY INTEGRITY

The Edward H. Levi Award for Outstanding Professionalism and Exemplary Integrity is presented to pay tribute to the memory and achievements of former Attorney General Edward H. Levi, whose career as an attorney, law professor and dean, and public servant exemplified these qualities in the best traditions of the Department. One Edward H. Levi Award is presented this year.

John C. Keeney
Deputy Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

John C. Keeney has been a leader and mainstay of the Department for more than fifty years. Mr. Keeney is a charter member of the Senior Executive Service and is recognized for his legal expertise, resourcefulness, and decisive measures on organized crime and racketeering, public corruption, and the Federal Government's use of electronic surveillance and witness security protection programs, among other matters. He provides legal and policy guidance at the highest levels and offers thoughtful, critical intervention in many complex and difficult situations. Over the years, Mr. Keeney has been a principal liaison between career and political appointees, ensuring that new policy goals and priorities are effectively incorporated into the operations of the Criminal Division. Throughout his career, he has demonstrated a resolute commitment to reshaping the Department to effectively meet the challenges in law enforcement. Mr. Keeney has left an enduring imprint on the law enforcement community, and on the Federal civil service itself, not only through the many remarkable achievements he has realized on behalf of the Department, but through the many fine attorneys and executives whose careers he has guided and shaped. Above all, Mr. Keeney leads by example—to many, he is the epitome of wisdom, integrity, and standard for ethical conduct. He has truly met the high standards exemplified by Attorney General Levi, inspired and educated others, and enhanced the credibility and standing of the Department.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS PUBLIC SERVICE

This award recognizes the most significant contributions of citizens and organizations who have assisted the Department in the accomplishment of its mission and objectives. One Meritorious Public Service Award is presented this year.

Phillip Nicholas Chapman
Christopher M. Donlan
Amber Marie Deahn
Linda C. Olson
Coeur d'Alene, Idaho

The individuals are honored for heroic and selfless efforts which led to the rescue of Shasta Groene and the arrest of her abductor, Joseph Edward Duncan, III, in Coeur d'Alene, Idaho on July 2, 2005. At approximately 1:53 a.m., Joseph Duncan and Shasta Groene walked into the Denny's Restaurant. Duncan had brutally killed members of Groene's family a few months before. Working for Denny's at the time were manager Linda C. Olson and waitress Amber M. Deahn. Deahn identified the little girl from the extensive media coverage the case had received. She directed her manager to call 911. Ms. Deahn offered Ms. Groene a milkshake as a delaying tactic. At the same time, Phillip N. Chapman and Christopher M. Donlan, who were patrons seated nearby, also recognized Ms. Groene from the media reports. Alternately, Messrs. Chapman and Donlan walked outside the restaurant to observe Duncan, who had gone outside to smoke. They identified his vehicle and recorded the license plate number. As Ms. Deahn ever so slowly prepared the milkshake, Ms. Olson remained on the phone with police dispatchers and provided constant updates. Messrs. Chapman and Donlan kept a close eye on Duncan, who was becoming increasingly agitated while waiting for the milkshake. Responding officers soon arrived and arrested Duncan. As a result of their efforts, a violent serial child sexual predator was arrested and an abducted child was recovered.

THE WILLIAM FRENCH SMITH AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING CONTRIBUTIONS TO COOPERATIVE LAW ENFORCEMENT

The William French Smith Award for Outstanding Contributions to Cooperative Law Enforcement is an honorary award granted to recognize State and local law enforcement officials who have made significant contributions to cooperative law enforcement endeavors. One William French Smith Award is presented this year.

Robert M. Lockett

Battalion Chief

Fire and Explosives Investigation Unit

Alexandria, Virginia

William B. Harlowe

Captain

Fire and Explosives Investigation Unit

Fairfax County, Virginia

Scott K. Hoglander

Battalion Chief

Brian S. Radinsky

Investigator

Tony R. Exline

Retired Investigator

Fire and Explosives Investigation Unit

Prince George's County Fire/EMS Department

Prince George's County, Maryland

Hank E. Anderson

Sergeant

Brian L. Padgett

Detective

Prince George's County Police Department

Prince George's County, Maryland

Derrick A. Chapman

Deputy State Fire Marshal

Steve W. Dulski

Corporal

Maryland State Police

Todd O. Gray
Detective
Emanuel U. Ross, Jr.
Investigative Analyst
Metropolitan Police Department
District of Columbia

The crime of arson, not only one of the most potentially damaging to life and property, can be one of the toughest to solve. A fifteen-agency task force conducted a twenty-two month investigation to catch a serial arsonist who was injuring and eventually killed two people within the Washington Metropolitan Area. The arsonist set fires to residences and blocked exits. The task force used every resource at its disposal to identify and apprehend the arsonist including video surveillance, thermal detection devices, bloodhounds, accelerant detection canines, law enforcement helicopters, forensic psychologists, behavioral profilers, geographical profilers, and more. The arsonist eluded law enforcement due to his careful planning, unique incendiary device, and his ability to cross a number of jurisdictions as he traveled in and out of Maryland, the District of Columbia, and Virginia. An exhaustive investigation led task force members to Thomas Sweatt. Sweatt confessed to setting 353 fires in 27 years. Residents of the Washington Metropolitan Area can now sleep easier knowing that the serial arsonist who had terrorized the community was now behind bars.

THE MARY C. LAWTON LIFETIME SERVICE AWARD

This award recognizes employees who have served at least twenty years in the Department and who have demonstrated high standards of excellence and dedication throughout their careers. This award is presented only in exceptional circumstances to those individuals of special merit and is not awarded to express general appreciation for tenure alone. One Mary C. Lawton Award is presented this year.

David Margolis

Associate Deputy Attorney General
Office of the Deputy Attorney General

Throughout his career, David Margolis has exemplified the dedicated public service, leadership, and integrity demonstrated by Mary C. Lawton. He has been a Federal prosecutor for over forty years and has brought decades of experience in the Department to the wide array of responsibilities in the Office of the Deputy Attorney General. Mr. Margolis has served as an Assistant U.S. Attorney, strike force chief, and Deputy Assistant Attorney General. He played a leadership role in the creation of OCDETF at the direction of the Attorney General. He is the Deputy's representative on the U.S. Attorney Selection Panel. As Associate Deputy Attorney General, Mr. Margolis has handled a myriad of responsibilities and matters. He serves as principal liaison to the Department's internal investigative offices and he handles disciplinary matters and complaints. Attorneys throughout the Department frequently seek his counsel on questions of ethics and professional conduct. He is a critical supporter of the Department's pro bono program. Mr. Margolis has been called upon to handle some of the most sensitive criminal matters as assigned by the Department's leadership. The contributions that Mr. Margolis has made to the Department are not simply characterized by length of service. His impact on the Department's policy and practices, his integrity and reliability, and his dedication to the cause of justice are hallmarks of his character.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL HEROISM

This award recognizes an extraordinary act of courage and voluntary risk of life during the performance of official duties. One Exceptional Heroism Award is presented this year.

William A. Sentner (Posthumous)
Special Agent
Miami Field Office
Office of the Inspector General

Special Agent William “Buddy” A. Sentner is honored posthumously for the exceptional courage he displayed by saving the lives of several fellow officers. Special Agent Sentner, 44, was shot and killed in the line of duty on June 21, 2006, as he was working as part of an Office of the Inspector General and Federal Bureau of Investigation team to execute arrest warrants on six Federal Bureau of Prisons correctional officers at the Federal Correctional Institution in Tallahassee, Florida. These six correctional officers were indicted the previous day in the Northern District of Florida on charges of conspiracy to sexually abuse female inmates and introduction of contraband into the correctional facility. During the execution of the arrest warrant, one of the correctional officers who was a subject of the warrant opened fire on the arrest team. Acting with extraordinary courage, Special Agent Sentner rushed to aid his fellow agents and returned fire, killing the correctional officer. Tragically, Mr. Sentner was killed and a Federal Bureau of Prisons lieutenant was wounded. Special Agent Sentner’s brave actions and quick response under fire saved the lives of others while sacrificing his own life.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL'S AWARD FOR EXCEPTIONAL SERVICE

This is the Department's highest award for employee performance. One Exceptional Service Award is presented this year.

Sean M. Berkowitz

Assistant U.S. Attorney
Northern District of Illinois

Kathryn H. Ruemmler

Lisa O. Monaco

Assistant U.S. Attorneys
District of Columbia

John C. Hueston

Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney

Robb C. Adkins

Andrew D. Stolper

Assistant U.S. Attorneys
Central District of California

J. Douglas Wilson

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Leslie R. Caldwell

Former Supervisory Assistant U.S. Attorney
Northern District of California

Clifford B. Stricklin

Special Assistant U.S. Attorney
Northern District of Texas

Benton J. Campbell

Linda A. Lacewell

Assistant U.S. Attorneys

Andrew Weissmann

Former Assistant U.S. Attorney
Eastern District of New York

David H. Hennessy

Assistant U.S. Attorney

Samuel W. Buell

Former Assistant U.S. Attorney
District of Massachusetts

John A. Drennan
Trial Attorney
Appellate Section

Leo J. Wise
Trial Attorney

Linda B. Walls
Lead Paralegal Specialist
Fraud Section

Matthew W. Friedrich
Principal Deputy Assistant Attorney General and Chief of Staff
Office of the Assistant Attorney General
Criminal Division

Michael E. Anderson
Supervisory Special Agent

Raju S. Bhatia

David Michael Hays

Kendall L. Hopper

Jeffrey D. Jenson

Jill Odom

Chad J. Nunez
Special Agents

Loren P. Feast

Susan K. Ridley

Tonja K. Rose
Financial Analysts

Pamela Joan Jerding
Paralegal Specialist
Houston Division

David F. Reign
Supervisory Special Agent

Paul E. Holdeman

Paula L. Schanzle

Marc R. Diehl

Brian L. Crews

Jeffrey C. Dutton

Gregory H. Bristol
Special Agents
Washington Field Office

Anne Hopkins
Supervisory Special Agent
Security Division
Federal Bureau of Investigation

The members of the investigative and trial team of the Enron Task Force are recognized for their exceptional service to the American public and the Department in the investigation and successful prosecution of the individuals who were most responsible for the Enron fraud. This hard-fought battle was won through the dedication of the team members, who devoted years of their professional lives to this effort and, in doing so, made significant personal sacrifices by living away from home for long periods of time and working under stressful conditions. The team's unparalleled dedication and teamwork over a period of years have made a significant contribution to restoring confidence in the Nation's securities markets.