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Hon. Charles McCoy Honored at Southwestern Law School Awards Event

April 28, 2009, LOS ANGELES, CA – Southwestern Law School honored Hon. Charles W. “Tim” McCoy, Jr. as Outstanding Friend at its 22nd Annual Awards Recognition Reception on April 16. This annual event allows the Alumni Association and other members of the Southwestern community the opportunity to recognize alumni and friends for their outstanding service. In addition to the awards ceremony and cocktail reception, the evening featured silent and live auctions benefiting the Alumni Scholarship Fund.

First appointed to the bench in 1992, Judge McCoy became the Presiding Judge of the Los Angeles Superior Court in January 2009. He previously served as a trial judge, Managing Judge of the Complex Litigation Courts and Supervising Judge of the Civil Courts. He serves on the California Judicial Council, was a member of the Governing Board of the California Center for Judicial Education and Research (CJER), and chaired several committees of the California Judges Association (CJA). He is the President-Elect of the National Conference of Metropolitan Courts.

Prior to joining the bench, he was a partner in the firm of Sheppard, Mullin, Richter & Hampton's Los Angeles Office, where he practiced for 17 years, and served as Chief of Staff and Chief Deputy to Hon. Matthew Fong '85, Vice Chair of the State Board of Equalization. Since 1995, Judge McCoy has been a popular member of Southwestern's adjunct faculty where he teaches Trial Advocacy.

“I am a friend of Southwestern for 1,000 reasons,” Judge McCoy said. “Southwestern gave me one of the greatest gifts, the opportunity to teach students and that breathes life into me every time I walk into the classroom.”

He also serves on the adjunct faculties of UCLA and Pepperdine Law Schools and Azusa Pacific University, and is the author of the book *Why Didn't I Think of That? Think the Unthinkable and Achieve Creative Greatness* (Prentice Hall Press, 2002; published in five

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languages). He has received numerous honors, including the Consumer Attorneys Association of Los Angeles' 2008 Trial Judge of the Year Award. He earned his B.S. degree in industrial management at Purdue University, and his J.D. degree with honors at the University of Texas at Austin School of Law.

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SOUTHWESTERN LAW SCHOOL, founded in 1911, is a nonprofit, nonsectarian independent law school approved by the ABA and a member of the AALS. One of the most diverse law schools in the nation, Southwestern has an enrollment of 1,000 students in two, three and four-year full-time and part-time J.D. programs of study, dual J.D./M.B.A. degree programs with the Drucker Graduate School of Management and a J.D./M.A. program with California State University, Dominguez Hills, as well LL.M. programs in entertainment and media law and individualized studies. The school's 10,000 alumni are members of the legal profession in virtually every state and more than a dozen foreign countries and include members of the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, former mayors of Los Angeles, and other prominent leaders in law, business and politics. Southwestern has created an award-winning campus that includes the internationally acclaimed art deco Bullocks Wilshire landmark that houses the second largest academic law library facility in California and the Julian C. Dixon Courtroom and Advocacy Center, the most technologically advanced center of its kind. Taking advantage of its location in the center of Los Angeles, Southwestern offers one of the most extensive externship programs in the country and is the home of the Donald E. Biederman Entertainment and Media Law Institute.