

**COBLENTZ, PATCH, DUFFY & BASS LLP PARTNER SARA FINIGAN  
RECEIVES AWARD FROM LAWYERS' COMMITTEE FOR CIVIL RIGHTS**

**SAN FRANCISCO, Feb. 3, 2010** – Coblentz, Patch, Duffy & Bass LLP Partner Sara Finigan has been honored with the James T. Caleshu Award from the Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights (LCCR) of the San Francisco Bay Area for her extraordinary *pro bono* contributions to the LCCR's Legal Services for Entrepreneurs Program (LSE).

At the award ceremony, Finigan spoke about the duty of each lawyer to provide *pro bono* services and recognized the challenges of balancing this duty with professional and family needs.

"We congratulate Sara on this much-deserved recognition of her dedication, leadership and outstanding contributions to the LSE program," said Coblentz, Patch, Duffy & Bass Managing Partner Danna Kozerski. "Sara's *pro bono* work is a reflection of our firm's long and rich history of promoting the ability of all citizens to have access to the legal system and of our dedication of time and talent to that end."

The James T. Caleshu Award, presented Jan. 28 at LCCR's 23rd Annual Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. Luncheon in San Francisco, honors those who have made extraordinary *pro bono* contributions to the Committee, an organization devoted to advancing the rights of people of color, the poor, immigrants and refugees, and its LSE program. Finigan serves as a member of the applicant screening committee for LSE.

Having first volunteered with the program nine years ago, Finigan has helped establish a variety of small businesses and has been critical in engaging other members of her firm to take on clients from the LSE program.

Finigan's law practice encompasses general business transactions and securities issues. Her corporate transactional experience includes business formations, financings, mergers and acquisitions, and employee and executive compensation. Finigan also helps clients develop and implement successful business strategies by counseling start-ups and existing companies in corporate formation, structuring, governance, compensation and finance.

Finigan earned her J.D. from Santa Clara University in 1997 and her B.A. from the University of Florida in 1994.