

Dewey & LeBoeuf Receives Prestigious CASA Special Achievement Award

Firm honored for its long-standing pro bono support of The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University

(NEW YORK - March 25, 2010) - Chairman Steven H. Davis accepted the "CASA Special Achievement Award" on behalf of the firm at a dinner held at The Pierre Hotel in New York.

Presented by The National Center on Addiction and Substance Abuse (CASA) at Columbia University, the award recognizes individuals and organizations devoting their creativity and resources to the battle against substance abuse and addiction.

Dewey & LeBoeuf was recognized for its founding support, longstanding commitment and the contribution of millions of dollars of pro bono legal services over a span of nearly 20 years. The firm's work has helped CASA further its mission of combating substance abuse and addiction and helping families raise healthy, drug-free children.

"Our firm takes great pride in its pro bono commitment and to be recognized by CASA with its Special Achievement Award is truly an honor," said Mr. Davis. "Under the leadership of Joe Califano, CASA has made a tremendous impact on the lives of countless people who struggle with substance abuse. We look forward to supporting CASA in its mission for many years to come."

Founded in 1992 by former Dewey & LeBoeuf Partner and U.S. Secretary of Health, Education, and Welfare Joseph A. Califano, Jr., CASA is the only nationwide organization that brings together all the professional disciplines needed to study and combat abuse of all substances. CASA aims to inform Americans of the economic and social costs of substance abuse and its impact on their lives, as well as remove the stigma surrounding substance abuse.

"Dewey & LeBoeuf is comprised of outstanding lawyers who are not afraid to tackle controversial and vexing issues like substance abuse and addiction," said Mr. Califano. "The kind of two-decade commitment that Dewey & LeBoeuf has made to a non-profit organization tackling a controversial and unpopular social issue like drug addiction is a most extraordinary if not unique example of the legal profession at its finest."

Mr. Califano started his legal career at the firm and after tours in the public and private sectors returned as a partner from 1983 to 1992, during which he served as managing partner of the Washington, DC office and as a member and subsequently co-chairman of the firm's Management Committee.

Also honored at the event were Rep. Patrick J. Kennedy and Hon. Jim Ramstad who received the CASA "Inspiration Award" in recognition of their work in Congress to ensure the provision of appropriate and adequate medical treatment for Americans suffering from substance abuse.

Nestle Prepared Foods Company also received the CASA "Distinguished Service Award" for its outstanding civic leadership and vital partnership in CASA's work to help children and families.

