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**CENTURY CITY BAR ASSOCIATION NAMES
2010 LAWYERS OF THE YEAR
AT ITS 42ND ANNUAL INSTALLATION BANQUET AND AWARDS
CEREMONY HELD ON MARCH 4, 2010**

Century City, CA – On March 4, 2010, about 350 people filled the Los Angeles Ballroom of the Hyatt Regency Century plaza for the Century City Bar Association’s 42nd Annual Installation Banquet and Awards Ceremony, the CCBA’s most prestigious, flagship event. This year’s honorees were **Jeffrey E. Donfeld** of Donfeld Kelley & Rollman - Real Estate Lawyer of the Year; **Marshall B. Grossman** of Bingham McCutchen LLP - Litigator of the Year; **David Nimmer** of Irell & Manella LLP - Intellectual Property Lawyer of the Year; **James I. Stang** of Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones LLP - Bankruptcy Lawyer of the Year; and **Juliette Youngblood** of Youngblood Group - Entertainment Lawyer of the Year.

The annual gala was sponsored by some of the city’s leading law firms, including **Bingham McCutchen; Brownstein Hyatt Farber Schrek; Donfeld Kelly & Rollman; Irell & Manella; Klee, Tuchin Bogdanoff & Stern; O’Melveny & Myers; Pachulski Stang Ziehl & Jones; Peitzman, Weg & Kempinsky; Stutman Treister & Glatt; TroyGould, and Youngblood Group.** Friends and family of the honorees shared in the honorees’ achievements, with some traveling from out of state to attend the event.

The event commenced with the installation of the CCBA Board of Governors and officers by California Court of Appeal Justice Nora M. Manella. Representing a cross-section of Century City’s legal spectrum, the new officers are: **Louis R. Dienes** of TroyGould – President; **Jane Shay Wald** of Irell & Manella – President-Elect; **Fay Arfa** of Law Offices of Fay Arfa –

Vice President; **Francie Gorowitz** of Rosenfeld, Meyer & Sussman – Secretary; and **Loren Beck** of Russ August & Kabat – Treasurer.

Susan Bursk, President and CEO of the Century City Chamber of Commerce, presented outgoing President **Scott Vick** with a Certificate of Recognition for his years of dedicated service to the Century City Bar Association and his outstanding performance as President from 2009-2010.

Richard Borow, partner emeritus at **Irell & Manella LLP** introduced his friend and colleague **David Nimmer**, whose prolific work as a lawyer and author has shaped copyright law the world-over. **Eric Webber**, also of Irell & Manella LLP, introduced his former partner **Juliette Youngblood**, now a television producer, speaking of Youngblood's journey to one of entertainment law's leading practitioners. **Rick Caruso**, a well-known Los Angeles real estate developer reminisced about a job interview after law school with **Jeffrey Donfeld**, the man who would later become his trusted legal advisor in every major real estate deal Mr. Caruso has done over the last two decades. **Richard Pachulski**, a partner of Pachulski, Stang, Ziehl & Jones introduced his partner **Jim Stang**, who spoke of the firm's growth from an idea shared over lunch into one of the country's leading corporate restructuring and bankruptcy law firms with four US offices. Finally, **Bruce Ramer** of Gang Tyre Ramer & Brown introduced **Marshall Grossman**, noting his achievements as one of the country's premier litigators and speaking of Grossman's unwavering commitment to his firm, clients and family.

For a biography of Jeffrey E. Donfeld, click here:

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Louis R. Dienes, President of the CCBA noted that: "Century City is home to some of the most sophisticated and respected attorneys in the fields of entertainment, intellectual property, real

estate, high-stakes litigation, and bankruptcy” and adds that “This year's honorees have set examples not only for legal excellence, but for dedication to public service and charitable work.”

About the Century City Bar Association

With more than 4,000 lawyers in Century City, the CCBA’s mission is to provide top-quality legal programming, enhance and promote the sense of community among Century City lawyers, honor Century City attorneys who have achieved extraordinary accomplishments, and provide leadership opportunities to lawyers who participate in the CCBA. For more information, refer to the CCBA’s website at www.centurycitybar.com