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**CALL FOR ENTRIES: HERMAN KOGAN MEDIA AWARDS
OF THE CHICAGO BAR ASSOCIATION**
WMAQ-TV's Warner Saunders Keynotes May Awards Luncheon

(CHICAGO, ILL.) February 18, 2009--The Chicago Bar Association (CBA) invites all journalists in the Chicago metropolitan area to submit entries for the 20th annual Herman Kogan Media Awards Competition for outstanding print and broadcast legal stories and commentary. Entry forms are available online at www.chicagobar.org or by phoning 312-554-2013.

Entries to The CBA Herman Kogan Media Awards must relate to the law, the legal system or the work of lawyers, judges, governmental agencies or civic groups concerned with the administration of justice. The context of entries may be current, historical, objective or analytical in nature. **All entries must be postmarked, or if sent by e-mail, timestamped, by Saturday, March 21, 2009.**

The Competition is divided into three award categories:

1. **Print** - articles covering a single news event, law-related theme or series.
2. **Broadcast**-law-related news stories, features, specials or series; documentaries, public service or educational programs produced by and broadcast on media outlets in the greater Chicagoland metropolitan area.
3. **Commentary/Editorial Cartoon/Photography** - law-related single editorials, op-ed pieces, editorial cartoons, photographic essays, or ongoing byline columns or on-air segments.

The judging panel is comprised of lawyers, judges, editors and lay persons knowledgeable about legal affairs and journalism.

Awards will be presented at The CBA Herman Kogan Media Awards Luncheon on Thursday, May 7, 2009, at Petterino's Restaurant, 150 North Dearborn Street, Chicago (corner of Dearborn and Randolph). The luncheon keynote speaker will be WMAQ's longtime anchor Warner Saunders.

About the Awards

The Herman Kogan Media Awards Competition was established in 1989 to honor local journalists and legal affairs reporting. The competition celebrates the life of Herman Kogan, a true friend of The CBA, whose career spanned more than 50 years and included experience as a reporter, feature and editorial writer, editor, author, historian, biographer, literary critic, radio host and television executive.

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