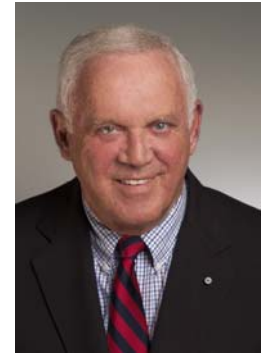


**NH BAR FOUNDATION CELEBRATES 30TH ANNIVERSARY WITH
SENATOR WARREN B. RUDMAN AS KEYNOTE SPEAKER**



CONCORD, NH -- The New Hampshire Bar Foundation will celebrate its 30th Anniversary on Thursday, May 10, 2007, with a celebratory dinner at the C.R. Sparks restaurant in Bedford. The Bar Foundation ranks eighth in annual charitable giving among the 425 New Hampshire foundations. Since 1977, the Bar Foundation has provided more than \$20 million in grants to nonprofit legal services and law-related educational programs serving New Hampshire residents.

New Hampshire Senator Warren B. Rudman (1980-1992) will keynote the 30th Anniversary Dinner. "Senator Rudman is a distinguished statesman, known nationally and internationally for his many achievements. As a member of the NH Bar, he left an indelible mark on the practice of law in the state of New Hampshire through his creation of a modern attorney general's office in the 1970s, which has served as a model for his successors," said Richard McNamara, NH Bar Foundation board member and NH Bar Association president.. "His devotion to the ideals of the profession and to the rule of law is exemplified by his work to ensure the survival of the Legal Services Corporation during his years as a United States senator."

A lifelong resident of New Hampshire, Senator Rudman began his career practicing law in his hometown of Nashua. During his twelve years in the Senate, Senator Rudman established a record of independence by refusing to accept out-of-state political action committee (PAC) donations. He was instrumental in saving federal funding for civil legal services for low-income Americans, which has been tremendously important for New Hampshire residents. Senator Rudman co-authored the Gramm-Rudman-Hollings deficit reduction law. In 2001, President Clinton awarded him the Presidential Citizens Medal recognizing his years of devoted public service. The director of the Central Intelligence Agency presented Senator Rudman with the National Intelligence Distinguished Service Medal for his service to the Intelligence Community. Secretary of Defense William Cohen presented him with the Distinguished Service Medal, the highest award possible for a civilian.

Attorneys, judges, donors, bankers, legal services staff, grantees, and others will attend the Bar Foundation's 30th Anniversary Dinner. Attorney Frederic K. Upton, of counsel to Upton & Hatfield, LLP, and a member of the NH Advisory Committee of Judicial Ethics, will receive the 2007 Frank Rowe Kenison Award at the dinner and Attorney Joceline D. Champagne of the NH Pro Bono Referral Program will receive the Robert E. Kirby Award.

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