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**Minority Corporate Counsel Association Celebrates 10 Years of Diversity Progress
in the Midwest Region**

Chicago – The Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA) will celebrate its 10th anniversary by honoring a new Thomas L. Sager Award winner and past Employers of Choice Award winners at its Midwest Region Anniversary Dinner at the Chicago Marriott Downtown on March 21, 2007.

“In ten years, MCCA’s research and programs have empowered individuals in the legal profession to embrace diversity and strive to have inclusive business environments,” says MCCA’s executive director Veta T. Richardson. “This event is not only a celebration of our 10th Anniversary, but also an opportunity to recognize the diversity progress that has been made in the Midwest Region.”

The law firm of Laner Muchin Dombrow Becker Levin and Tominberg, Ltd., a Chicago-based law firm concentrating exclusively in the representation of employers in labor relations, employment, employment litigation, employee benefits and business immigration, was selected as the recipient of The Thomas L. Sager Award, named in honor of MCCA Chairman of the Board and DuPont Company Vice President and Assistant General Counsel, Thomas L. Sager. This award is given to law firms that demonstrate sustained commitment to improving the hiring, retention and promotion of minority attorneys. Accepting the award on behalf of Laner Muchin are Joseph M. Gagliardo, managing partner and Violet M. Clark, partner and co-chair of the firm’s diversity committee.

Employers of Choice award recipients are chosen for demonstrating a commitment to diversity and creating and maintaining an inclusive workplace. Previous Employers of Choice Award winners from McDonalds Corporation and General Mills will be featured in a video salute to MCCA.

The Chicago dinner is part of an annual series of five dinners designed to address issues of diversity in corporate law departments. MCCA Diversity Dinners are also held in Dallas, Washington, D.C., New York City and Los Angeles.

The Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA) was founded in 1997 to advocate for the expanded hiring, promotion, and retention of minority attorneys in corporate legal departments and the law firms that serve them. In addition, MCCA stimulates an ongoing dialogue of diversity “best practices.” MCCA accomplishes its mission through the collection and dissemination of information on diversity in the legal profession. MCCA’s headquarters are in Washington, D.C. and it also has offices in Atlanta and Chicago.

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