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Brown Rudnick Establishes *M. Robert Dushman Pro Bono and Community Service Awards*

Annual awards created in memory of law firm partner and public interest advocate

Boston, MA, April 7, 2008 – Brown Rudnick, a premier international law firm, today announced the creation of the annual Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest *M. Robert Dushman Pro Bono and Community Service Awards*. These two annual awards honor both a Brown Rudnick attorney and a non-attorney whose professional/work life has demonstrated the commitment to the public interest that distinguished Mr. Dushman.

For the inaugural awards, **Margaret M. Pinkham**, a Partner in Brown Rudnick's Litigation Department, was honored with the Pro Bono Award, and **Ann Saunders Fabry**, a Government Law & Strategies Director in the firm's Washington office, received the Community Service Award.

Nominees for these awards were solicited from everyone in the Firm and many nominations, in both categories, were received. The nominations were reviewed by the Chair of our Pro Bono Committee, Andrew P. Strehle; the President of the Brown Rudnick Charitable Foundation, Carl E. Axelrod; and the Executive Director of our Center for the Public Interest, Albert W. Wallis.

The ***Pro Bono Award*** recognizes a Brown Rudnick attorney whose career and character have demonstrated the qualities that distinguished Mr. Dushman: (1) a sustained commitment to pro bono representation and public interest work; and (2) a demonstrated history of nurturing and mentoring other attorneys to pursue the highest ideals of the legal profession, especially with regard to pro bono representation and civic involvement.

The ***Community Service Award*** recognizes a non-attorney at Brown Rudnick who has demonstrated a long-standing, exceptional contribution to community service through his/her employment at the Firm, in recognition of the spirit and philosophy of respect and egalitarianism Mr. Dushman had for everyone in the Brown Rudnick work place.

Each award recipient was entitled to direct the Firm to make a one-time contribution of \$2500 to a reputable non-profit charitable organization of their choosing.

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The Brown Rudnick Center for the Public Interest is a measure of the Firm's strong commitment to the community and serves as an umbrella entity encompassing the Firm's pro bono legal work, charitable giving, community involvement and public interest efforts. For more information, please visit www.brownrudnickcenter.com.

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