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## **FDLI Names 2009 Distinguished Service and Leadership Award Recipients**

*Buc, Levitt, Lumpkin and Miller Garner Prestigious Awards*

(Washington, D.C.) — Nancy L. Buc, Geoffrey M. Levitt, Dr. Murray M. Lumpkin and Dr. Sanford A. Miller are the recipients of the 2009 Food and Drug Law Institute (FDLI) Distinguished Service and Leadership Awards, FDLI announced today.

Since 1993, FDLI has selected award winners representing four sectors of food and drug law: government, industry, law firms and consulting. The awards are based on service, leadership and contribution to the food and drug industry, one of the largest sectors of the U.S. economy. The awards were announced by William B. Schultz, Esq. a partner at Zuckerman Spaeder LLP, in Washington, D.C., and chairman of FDLI's Board of Directors and Awards Committee.

**Nancy L. Buc** is a partner in the law firm of Buc & Beardsley in Washington, D.C. She served as General Counsel for the U.S. Food and Drug Administration from 1980 to 1981. During an earlier period of government service, she served as Attorney-Advisor to the Chairman of the Federal Trade Commission and Assistant Director of that agency's Bureau of Consumer Protection. She was a member of LSRO's Reduced Risk Tobacco Products Core Committee. A member of the Institute of Medicine's Committee on Contraceptive Research and Development and its Committee on NIDA Medications Development, she was also a member of the National Institutes of Health's Recombinant DNA Advisory Committee and its Consensus Panel on Effective Medical Treatment of Heroin Addiction. She served as a member of the Office of Technology Assessment's Advisory Committee on New Developments in Biotechnology and its panel on Government Policies and Pharmaceutical Research and Development. She was also a member of the American Bar Association Antitrust Law Section's Special Committee to Study the Federal Trade Commission, and is the Immediate Past Chair of the Food and Drug Law Institute. Ms. Buc is a director of Dynavax Technologies Corporation, and was formerly a director of Agritope, Inc. and the National Partnership for Women and Families. Ms. Buc has been an Adjunct Professor of Law (Food and Drug Law) at Georgetown University Law Center. She is a graduate of Brown University and the University of Virginia School of Law. Ms. Buc holds an honorary doctor of laws from Brown and is a Trustee Emerita of Brown.

**Geoffrey M. Levitt**, the industry recipient, is Associate General Counsel and Chief Regulatory Counsel at Wyeth, where he is responsible for a wide range of legal/regulatory issues related to Board of Health regulation and compliance worldwide. Prior to joining Wyeth in April 2001, Levitt was a partner and co-chair of the food and drug law group at Venable, Baetjer, Howard & Civiletti in Washington, DC. He has published and lectured extensively on food and drug law, and is a past member of the editorial board of the *Food and Drug Law Journal* and a current member of the editorial board of the *FDA Advertising and Promotion Manual*. His most recent publications include the book *Competitive Challenges in the Drug Approval Process: Generics, Hybrids and Follow-on Biologics* (2005) and the chapter “The Drugs/Biologics Approval Process” in *A Practical Guide to Food and Drug Law and Regulation* (Food and Drug Law Institute, 3d ed. 2008). He earned his J.D. from Harvard Law School and his B.A. from Columbia University.

**Murray M. Lumpkin**, M.D., M.Sc., the government award recipient, is the Senior Medical Officer in the Office of the Commissioner, at FDA). He oversees the Office of International Programs, Office of Pediatric Therapeutics, Office of Combination Products, and coordinates FDA responses to several national public health issues. Between Commissioners, he served as the deputy to the acting commissioner. He previously served as Deputy Center Director (Review Management), Center for Drug Evaluation and Research (CDER), FDA. His main responsibilities included oversight and management of the five Offices of Drug Evaluation and their 15 new drug review divisions, the Office of Biostatistics, the Office of Post-marketing Drug Risk Assessment and the Advisory Committee Staff in (CDER). In addition Dr. Lumpkin was responsible for the creation and implementation of management initiatives to assure that CDER met its product review performance goals established in conjunction with the Prescription Drug User Fee Act of 1992. He has received several awards including the FDA Commendable Service Award in 1991, the Public Health Service’s Special Recognition Award for Productivity in 1992, the Commissioner’s Special Citation Award in 1993 and 1994, and the Presidential Senior Executive Meritorious Award in 1996. Dr. Lumpkin received his bachelor’s degree from Davidson College, his M.D. from Wake Forest University, and his M.Sc. in medical parasitology from the University of London.

**Sanford A. Miller**, Ph.D., the recipient in the consulting category, is a Senior Fellow at the Center for Food, Nutrition and Agriculture at the University of Maryland and was named Professor and Dean Emeritus at The Graduate School of Biomedical Sciences at the University of Texas Health Science Center where previously he was Dean and Professor. He is the former Director of the Center for Food Safety and Applied Nutrition at the Food and Drug Administration. In 2000, he became the first recipient of FDA’s Distinguished Alumni Award. Prior to his service at FDA, he was a Professor of Nutritional Biochemistry at the Massachusetts Institute of Technology. He has also been a Visiting Lecturer in Nutrition at Tufts University School of Dental Medicine and Harvard Medical School. Dr. Miller has served on many government and professional society advisory committees, including the Federation of American Societies for Experimental Biology (FASEB), Expert Committee on GRAS substances, and the National Advisory Environmental Health Sciences Council of NIH, and the Food and

Nutrition Board of the IOM/NAS. He is author or co-author of more than 200 original scientific publications. Dr. Miller received a B.S. degree in chemistry from the City College of New York, and an M.S. and Ph.D. degree from Rutgers University in physiology and biochemistry.

The Awards will be presented at FDLI's Annual Awards & Holiday Reception at the L'Enfant Plaza Hotel in Washington, D.C Dec. 4.

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