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### **Beers, Dickinson, Levine, Tandy To Receive Food and Drug Law Institute's Distinguished Service and Leadership Award**

Donald O. Beers, Elizabeth H. Dickinson, Arthur N. Levine and Marlene K. Tandy are the recipients of the Food and Drug Law Institute's 2009 Distinguished Service and Leadership Award.

FDLI has named 50 recipients since 1993, when FDLI began bestowing the award for contributions to the food and drug law field and for outstanding efforts on behalf of the organization. "These recipients have provided invaluable service to the food and drug law community, and we are pleased to honor them," said FDLI CEO and President Susan C. Winckler.

FDLI provides high-quality education and conferences, valuable publications and a neutral forum for discussion of cutting-edge issues in the food and drug law arena. FDLI will present the awards at its annual Leadership Awards reception Dec. 15, 2009, at the Madison Hotel, in Washington, D.C.

**Donald O. Beers** serves as an Associate Chief Counsel for Drugs in the Office of the Chief Counsel of the Food and Drug Administration. From 1987 to 2008, he was a Partner with Arnold & Porter LLP and from 1985 to 1987 he was Of Counsel to McCutchen, Doyle, Brown & Enersen. He also served in the Office of Chief Counsel from 1975 to 1985 and for most of that time was a litigator for the agency.

From 1974 to 1975 he clerked for a District Judge in the Southern District of New York. The 7th edition of his book, *Generic and Innovator Drugs: A Guide to FDA Approval Requirements*, which focuses on issues raised by the 1984 Drug Price Competition and Patent Term Restoration Act and related legislation, was published in 2008, before he returned to government service. He serves on FDLI's Drugs/Biologics Committee. Beers received his B.A. from Dartmouth College and his J.D. from Columbia Law School.

**Elizabeth H. Dickinson** is an Associate Chief Counsel for Drugs in the Office of the Chief Counsel of the Food and Drug Administration. Liz provides legal advice and litigation support for the Office of the Commissioner and the Center for Drug Evaluation and Research. Her areas of expertise include generic drugs, Hatch-Waxman, orphan and pediatric exclusivity, and follow-on proteins.

Dickinson received her B.A. in Economics from the University of Massachusetts, and her J.D. from Northeastern University. She was law clerk to the Honorable William B. Bryant of the U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia. Dickinson has been with FDA since 1994.

**Arthur N. Levine** is Senior Counsel with the law firm of Arnold & Porter LLP where he counsels pharmaceutical and medical device companies on a wide variety of enforcement, compliance and regulatory issues. Prior to joining Arnold & Porter LLP in 1991, Levine served in the FDA's Chief Counsel's Office in a variety of capacities from 1970-1991.

His most recent position was Deputy General Counsel for Litigation at FDA, serving as Principal Legal Advisor on compliance and enforcement matters and processes, supervising all litigation involving FDA and representing the agency on enforcement and litigation issues with the Department of Justice. Levine prosecuted cases on behalf of FDA, including several precedent-setting cases involving medical devices and blood banks. He authored a number of FDLI publications including most recently a chapter in FDLI's *A Practical Guide to Food and Drug Law and Regulation*, 3rd Edition and served on FDLI's Publications Oversight Committee. Levine received his B.A. from the University of California, Los Angeles and his J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley.

**Marlene K. Tandy**, M.D., joined the law department of Johnson & Johnson in 2001. She represents the DePuy and Ethicon Endo-Surgery operating companies in matters involving FDA, as well as healthcare compliance and Health Insurance Portability and Accountability Act of 1996 (HIPAA) issues. Prior to joining Johnson & Johnson, Tandy was the Director, Technology and Regulatory Affairs, and Associate General Counsel of AdvaMed (formerly HIMA), a medical device trade association.

She was a food and drug attorney with the Washington, D.C. law firm of Arnold & Porter LLP prior to joining AdvaMed. Tandy is a frequent speaker on medical device topics for FDLI. Further, she served on FDLI's *Update* Editorial Advisory Committee and Writing Awards Committee. Tandy received her B.A. in biology from The Johns Hopkins University, her M.D. from The George Washington University School of Medicine, and her J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center.

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