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LEADERS IN FOOD AND DRUG LAW TO BE HONORED AT 2023 FDLI ANNUAL CONFERENCE

[WASHINGTON, DC, May 3, 2023] The Food and Drug Law Institute (FDLI) has announced the honorees for its top accolades of the year, the FDLI Distinguished Service and Leadership Award, the Rising Star Award, and the Service to FDLI Award. Honorees will be recognized by their peers during the 2023 FDLI Annual Conference, May 17-18. This year's seven award winners exemplify the dedication and leadership needed to promote public health, advance the food and drug law field, and ensure a robust and innovative regulatory environment.

The FDLI Distinguished Service and Leadership Award, established in 1993, recognizes individuals who have made notable contributions to the food and drug law community through their leadership. This year's honorees are Cathy Burgess, Partner, Alston & Bird LLP; Linda Katz, Director, Office of Cosmetics and Colors, FDA - CFSAN; and Frank Palumbo, Professor Emeritus University of MD School of Pharmacy, BakerHostetler. The recipients are selected by a committee comprised of recent FDLI award recipients.

The Service to FDLI Award, established in 2017, honors FDLI members who have made exceptional contributions to FDLI, furthering FDLI's mission as a neutral convener to educate and spark innovative change. This year's recipient is Sandy Kalter, VP/Chief Regulatory Counsel, Medtronic.

The Rising Star Award is being awarded for the first time this year. The award honors those who exhibit excellent potential and who has demonstrated remarkable talents at an early stage in their food and drug law career. This year's awardees are Abraham Gitterman, Senior Associate, Arnold & Porter LLP, Schevon Salmon, Director, Corporate Counsel, Otsuka America Pharmaceutical, Sarah Thompson Schick, Counsel, Reed Smith LLP.

As the nation's largest gathering of the food and drug law community, FDLI's 2023 Annual Conference offers attendees the unique opportunity to hear directly from leading regulators, explore different viewpoints, and advance understanding in the field.

For more information on the FDLI Annual Conference and the 2023 awards, visit the [FDLI Website](#).

The Food and Drug Law Institute (FDLI), founded in 1949, is a nonprofit membership organization that offers [education](#), [training](#), [publications](#), and [professional engagement opportunities](#) in the field of food and drug law. As a neutral convener, FDLI provides a venue for stakeholders to inform innovative public policy, law, and regulation.

FDLI's scope covers all industries regulated by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration (FDA) and related agencies and authorities in the U.S. and globally, including drugs, medical devices, biologics, food, dietary supplements, cosmetics, veterinary, tobacco, and cannabis-derived products. The FDLI community includes manufacturers, distributors, law firms, consultants, academics, government

employees, non-profits, and students. Collectively, the stakeholder group engaged with FDLI is 30,000+ individuals.