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**Chicago Attorney to Receive Pro Bono Service Award
from Illinois State Bar Association**

Michael R. Mulcahy, of **Chicago's Beverly neighborhood**, a shareholder with the law firm of Vedder Price P.C., Chicago, will receive the 2008 John C. McAndrews Pro Bono Service Award from the Illinois State Bar Association (ISBA) on Friday, June 27, at the organization's 132nd Annual Meeting in St. Louis.

Mulcahy is being honored for his participations in the Child Law Pro Bono Project of the Bluhm Legal Clinic's Children and Family Justice Center at Northwestern University School of Law.

During the past year, Mulcahy has devoted more than 300 hours to indigent clients, mostly minors, and has been lead counsel in 12 cases.

He chairs the law firm's Pro Bono Committee and encourages commitment by other attorneys. A 1993 graduate of The John Marshall Law School, Mulcahy has served as both a prosecutor and defense counsel in Marine Corps proceedings.

The award is named in memory of Rock Island attorney John McAndrews, who chaired the ISBA Committee on Delivery of Legal Services and received a Harry A. Blackmun Pro Bono Publico Award from Prairie State Legal Services before he died in 1993 of cancer.

The 35,000-member ISBA, with offices in Springfield and Chicago, provides professional services to Illinois lawyers, and education and services to the public.

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