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PRESS RELEASE:

**Wayne R. Cohen Receives the President's Award from the
Trial Lawyers Association of Metropolitan Washington D.C.**

The Trial Lawyers Association of Metropolitan Washington D.C. honored its outgoing president Wayne R. Cohen by presenting him with the **President's Award** on Saturday May 14, 2005. Cohen received the award at the TLA-DC 50th Anniversary Celebration, held at the Renwick Gallery at the Smithsonian American Art Museum. Numerous D.C. Council Members, judges and other dignitaries were among the 300 people present.



Cohen assumed the Presidency of TLA-DC, Washington D.C.'s chapter of the Association of Trial Lawyers of America, last May. Among numerous achievements during his year as the group's leader, Cohen is most proud of the formation of TLA-DC's Public Education Committee (PEC). The PEC's mission is to educate the public, to help it understand that proposed attempts to alter the civil justice system will curtail victim's rights. "The PEC is actively informing the public, presenting people with the facts about how tort reform will hurt the innocent victims of negligence," Cohen said.

The end of Cohen's term allows him to devote more time to his own law practice, Cohen & Cohen, PC where he is the managing partner. The firm primarily represents catastrophically injured victims of medical mistakes, product defects, automobile accidents and other injury matters. Cohen is also an Adjunct Professorial Lecturer of Law at the George Washington University School of Law where he teaches trial skills. Prior to becoming President of TLA-DC, Cohen served as the organization's Secretary, Treasurer, Vice-President and President-Elect. Cohen is also a former co-chair of the Tort Law Section of the D.C. Bar, and a former chair of the Litigation Section of the Bar Association of the District of Columbia.

Cohen is a former amateur boxer who has received media coverage on numerous occasions. He has appeared in the print media in many outlets, including the Washington Post, the Washington Times, The Wall Street Journal, Washingtonian Magazine, USA Today, The Washington Examiner and The Legal Times. Cohen has also appeared on numerous television networks including ABC, NBC, CBS, Fox, CNN, MSNBC, the Today Show and Dateline among others.

In the past, Cohen has been named "One of the best 50 lawyers in Washington," "One of Washington's Top Trial Lawyers," and "One of Washington's most feared personal injury lawyers," by *Washingtonian Magazine*. In a feature article on Mr. Cohen, *The Wall Street Journal* best described his litigation style as "aggressive."