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Lieff Cabraser attorney Mark Chalos named chair of national justice organization's Education Committee, re-elected to state organization's Board of Governors

Nashville, Tenn. – Attorney Mark P. Chalos, Managing Partner of the Nashville office of the national plaintiffs' law firm Lieff Cabraser Heimann & Bernstein, LLP, has been named chair of the Public Education Committee for the American Association for Justice – a national organization which promotes a fair and effective civil justice system.

Mr. Chalos was also re-elected to the Board of Governors and Executive Committee of the Tennessee Association for Justice, a state-wide organization dedicated to upholding and defending the Constitution.

"We are proud of Mark's leadership in professional and civic organizations, both nationally and in Tennessee," said Steven Fineman, Managing Partner of Lieff Cabraser. "One of the firm's core values is fighting to maintain a fair and impartial civil justice system, which is a goal of both of these organizations."

An experienced trial lawyer and member of Lief Cabraser for over a decade, Mr. Chalos has successfully represented clients in a wide-range of cases, including individuals who suffered catastrophic injuries, consumers sold defective products, and patients prescribed dangerous medications or who received defective medical devices. Mr. Chalos has also represented employees in whistleblower cases and businesses in commercial litigation, including a case that resulted in an \$8 million arbitration award for a business client.

Mr. Chalos currently serves in the court-appointed leadership in the federal litigation arising out of the deadly fungal meningitis outbreak from contaminated steroid injections that caused the deaths of 64 patients and sickened more than 750 nationwide, including causing the deaths of 16 Tennesseans.

The professional recognition Mr. Chalos has received includes being selected as a “Best Lawyer” by *Best Lawyers* for his work in mass torts and class actions, rated a “Mid-South Super Lawyer” by *Super Lawyers*, and named to the *Nashville Business Journal's* "Best of the Bar." He has also received the highest ethical and legal ability rating of “AV” by Martindale Hubbell, which is based on peers ranking him at the highest level of professional excellence.

An active member of the legal community and graduate of Vanderbilt University and Emory University School of Law, Mark is a frequent speaker at legal seminars nationwide on a variety of civil litigation topics. He has also co-authored a book published by Thomson Reuters, “Litigating International Torts in U.S. Courts.” He has also been cited by top-tier media outlets including *The New York Times*, Associated Press, CNN, Fox News, CBS This Morning, and MSNBC.

About Lief Cabraser

Lief Cabraser's Nashville office was opened in 2001, and handles personal injury, consumer fraud, securities and financial fraud, and False Claims Act cases in Tennessee and nationally. Recent cases being litigated by the firms' Nashville attorneys include:

- the catastrophic coal ash spill at the Tennessee Valley Authority's Kingston, Tennessee Fossil Plant;
- litigation related to the deadly meningitis outbreak that resulted in 64 deaths and more than 700 serious illnesses nationwide;
- class action litigation against BP, Transocean, Halliburton, and other defendants on behalf of fishermen, property owners, business owners, and wage earners affected by the Deepwater Horizon oil rig blowout and resulting oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico.

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