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**ANDREW FINKELSTEIN JOINS BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF
LEGAL SERVICES OF THE HUDSON VALLEY**

(White Plains, New York) Alfred E. Donnellan, President of the Board of Legal Services of the Hudson Valley and managing partner at DelBello Donnellan Weingarten Wise & Wiederkehr, LLP in White Plains, New York, announced that Andrew Finkelstein has been voted onto the Board of Directors. Andrew Finkelstein is the Managing Partner of Finkelstein & Partners, headquartered in Newburgh, NY. Mr. Donnellan said, "We are so happy to have Andrew Finkelstein join our Board, as he brings excellent legal expertise, as well as a knowledge of the Mid-Hudson Region to LSHV."

Mr. Finkelstein received his B.S. in Finance and Marketing from Syracuse University in 1987 and his J.D. from Brooklyn Law School in 1991. He is admitted to practice in New York and New Jersey State and Federal Courts as well as the United States Supreme Court.

He is currently the Treasurer of the New York State Trial Lawyers Association; has served on its Board of Directors since 1996; and on the Executive Board of Directors since 2003. Mr. Finkelstein is the President of the Mid-Hudson Affiliate of the New York State Trial Lawyers, and is also a member of the Orange County Bar Association, Trial Lawyers for Public Justice and the American Association of Justice.

In 2006 The New York State Trial Lawyers Association honored Mr. Finkelstein by awarding him the first ever Civil Justice Award for his leadership of the 9/11 Victim Compensation Fund, where he was instrumental in obtaining over \$10 million dollars for the fund.

Mr. Finkelstein's commitment to pro bono work was also recognized by Legal Services of the Hudson Valley when they awarded him the 2007 Partners in Justice Award.

Finkelstein & Partners is the largest firm in New York to specialize in representing plaintiffs in complex litigation involving all types of personal injury and wrongful death cases. The firm was founded by Howard S. Finkelstein in 1959, is headquartered in Newburgh, NY with numerous offices throughout the Hudson Valley and New York State.

Legal Services of the Hudson Valley is a non-profit law firm that is committed to providing free support, advocacy and high-quality civil legal services to poor and low-income individuals and families. We help struggling individuals resolve urgent, civil legal problems, and, in the process, help build strong communities where the rights of our neighbors are protected, regardless of their incomes. We work in the areas of housing, children's advocacy, domestic violence, health advocacy, public benefits, elder law, disabilities, HIV/AIDS, and consumer law. LSHV serves people in Dutchess, Orange, Sullivan, Ulster, Westchester, Putnam, Rockland, and Ulster Counties.

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