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Dear Colleague:

We are pleased to announce that the Attorney General's Office is preparing to present the annual Attorney General's Distinguished Service Awards. The awards will be presented in Phoenix at our office's Victims' Rights week kick-off event honoring National Crime Victims' Rights Week on April 19th at the Carnegie Center at 1101 W. Washington, Phoenix, Arizona 85007.

On behalf of Attorney General Terry Goddard, I invite you to nominate candidates whose service to crime victims merits recognition in one of the several categories outlined in the enclosed materials. We ask that you consider how well the nominees meet not only the letter but also the "spirit" of the Distinguished Service Award categories. You need not limit your nominations to direct service providers; we are aware that members of other professions - such as the media, the judiciary, health care, and others - may be ardent crime victim supporters.

Please bring the work of these special individuals or groups to our attention, even if they have been nominated in years past. To assist you in the nomination process, we have enclosed the award announcement and nomination form.

An individual may submit more than one nomination, but only one, please, for each of the award categories. Individuals and groups may nominate themselves. **The deadline for nominations is Friday, February 12, 2010.** They must be postmarked by that date.

The Distinguished Service awards provide an opportunity for those of us involved in victim assistance and victims' rights to reflect on what we do and what we have accomplished, and to re-energize our efforts for the work yet to be done. It is a time of celebration and learning firsthand of individual and group achievements encouraging each of us to strive for excellence in fulfilling our responsibilities to victims.

Thank you for your assistance in the nomination effort.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Dan Levey".

Dan Levey
Director