

# Education Law Association Honors Allan Osborne for Exemplary Service in the Field of Education Law

DAYTON, Ohio, Oct. 28, 2008 - The Education Law Association (ELA) will present its 2008 *M.A. McGhehey Award* at its 54th Annual Conference being held in San Antonio, TX, November 19-22, 2008. Top government officials and legal and educational scholars from across the country will convene for this event.

The *McGhehey Award* is presented annually to an individual member for outstanding service and dedication to the Education Law Association. To be considered, individuals receiving the award must have a long history of service to the Education Law Association, along with the following:

- The individual's work must have had an impact nationally in the field of law and education through publications and/or presentations, both within and outside the Education Law Association.
- The individual's work must be recognized through other national organizations, by briefs filed at the U.S. Court of Appeals or the U.S. Supreme Court level, or by other significant contributions in the field of education law.

This year's award goes to Allan G. Osborne, Jr., 2003 President of the Education Law Association; former ELA Board Member for many years; former Principal of Snug Harbor Community School in Quincy, MA; and current editor of *Education Law Into Practice (ELIP)*, which is a special section of *West's Education Law Reporter*, sponsored by the Education Law Association. Allan has worked relentlessly with ELA to gather and publish information on current education law issues for its constituency groups—attorneys, professors, and school administrators—across the country. This information provides valuable knowledge that helps members make more informed decisions in their respective fields.

“Allan has been a prolific publisher of articles relating to education law and has contributed to the Education Law Association's *Yearbook of Education Law* (which features analyses of the previous year's federal and state court decisions affecting private and public K-12 schools and higher education) for many years. The Committee could not think of a person who is more committed to ELA or deserving of the Award,” states Jeffrey J. Horner, J.D., Bracewell & Giuliani, LLP.

Established in 1954, the Education Law Association (ELA) is a national nonprofit 501(c)(3) member association located at the University of Dayton. ELA promotes interest in and understanding of the legal framework of education and the rights of students, parents, school administrators, school boards, and school employees in public and private K-12 educational institutions, as well as higher education.

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