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Loyola Law School's St. Thomas More Society Presents Paula Pearlman with Ignatian Award

Los Angeles – Loyola Law School's St. Thomas More Law Honor Society presented Paula Pearlman with its Ignatian Award at a ceremony held at Loyola's downtown L.A. campus on Wednesday, Feb. 10. The award recognizes members of the legal community committed to high ideals and a life devoted to the service of faith and promotion of justice. Pearlman, a visiting associate professor of law at Loyola, is executive director of the Disability Rights Legal Center.

The Ignatian Award, named for the founder of the Society of Jesus, is an annual award bestowed on a member of the legal profession who has been a "person for others" in the spirit of St. Ignatius of Loyola. The honor has recognized a member of the legal community who has lived a life inspired by the Ignatian tradition. That includes those who have fostered spiritual growth and fellowship, observing high ethical standards and civility, encouraging greater efforts for the common good and exemplifying intellectual rigor and professional diligence.

Pearlman has dedicated her 25-year career to public interest law. She is a former supervising attorney at the California Women's Law Center. And she has received a long list of accolades for her work. She was named among the list of Southern California Super Lawyers in 2009 and was the 2007 recipient of the Legal Aid Association of California Attorney Award of Merit. In addition, she was named as one of the "Top 75 Women Litigators" in California by the Daily Journal. As a new lawyer, Ms. Pearlman was the recipient of the Carol King Award, National Immigration Project, National Lawyers Guild, for her work on the nationwide class action, *Orantes-Hernandez v. Meese* in 1987.

Pearlman received her J.D. from Southwestern University School of Law and her bachelor's degree from the University of California, Los Angeles.

About Loyola Law School Los Angeles

Located in downtown Los Angeles—a legal, financial and media capital—Loyola Law School is home to prominent faculty, dedicated students and cutting-edge programs. Committed to legal ethics and the public interest, it has produced top attorneys for nearly a century. Loyola was ranked 29th on the 2010 *Super Lawyers* U.S. Law School Rankings. The Princeton Review ranks Loyola fifth for "Best Classroom Experience," and *National Jurist* magazine ranks it second on its list of "Best Law Schools for Public Interest Law." Please visit www.lls.edu for more information or contact Brian Costello, deputy director of communications, at 213.736.1444 or brian.costello@lls.edu.

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