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**WELLINGTON NAMED AS EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF
MASSACHUSETTS BAR ASSOCIATION**

BOSTON, Mass. — Following a comprehensive, national search, the Massachusetts Bar Association (MBA) has named Marilyn J. Wellington, Esq. as its executive director. An expert in the management of court systems and a highly respected legal professional, Wellington will begin her leadership role with the MBA on Dec. 1.

Wellington will report to MBA President Warren Fitzgerald. "We are extremely pleased to have Marilyn join us. She is the consummate professional and will be the perfect leader for the extraordinarily talented MBA staff. Likewise, our membership will benefit from Marilyn's energy and vision as we maintain a state-wide, regional and national position on legal affairs," said Fitzgerald.

Wellington returns to Boston from Denver, CO after completing the final chapter of her role as a management consultant for the National Center for State Courts. She has provided consultant services to court systems across the country over the last year, working to enhance and improve court administration and operations.

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Prior to serving as a consultant, Wellington built the majority of her distinguished career in Massachusetts. She served as the court administrator for the Boston Municipal Court Department from 2003 to 2004; as chief of staff for Massachusetts Trial Courts from 2001 to 2003; as director of the Trial Courts Judicial

Institute from 1997 to 2001; and as an adjunct professor of law at Suffolk University Law School from 1999 to 2002. Prior to this, she acted as legal counsel to the Massachusetts Department of Mental Health in various capacities from 1991 to 1997.

“Marilyn’s vast administrative experience coupled with her effective management style will ensure the MBA’s high standards. Her wisdom and expertise will serve as a strong match for the MBA staff now and in the future,” said Martin Healy, MBA’s general counsel and interim executive director.

Wellington first became a member of the MBA in 1991. Her other professional affiliations include the Massachusetts Bar Foundation, the American Society of Association Executives, the Boston Bar Association and the National Association for Court Management.

She was admitted to the bar in 1991. She received a Juris Doctorate from the New England School of Law in 1991 and a Bachelor of Arts degree in Music Education from Emmanuel College in 1983.

Incorporated in 1911, the Massachusetts Bar Association is a non-profit organization that serves the legal profession and the public by promoting the administration of justice, legal education, professional excellence and respect for the law. The MBA represents a diverse group of attorneys, judges and legal professionals across the commonwealth.