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**FALL RIVER ATTORNEY ELECTED VICE PRESIDENT OF
THE MASSACHUSETTS BAR ASSOCIATION**

Attorney Denise Squillante has been elected vice president of the Massachusetts Bar Association for the 2007-08 year, beginning on Sept. 1. A Fall River practitioner, she is engaged in general private practice with an emphasis on family law, corporate law, injury and estates, and also provides business and legal consulting services to corporations.

Long active in the MBA's Family Law Section Council and its associated committees, Squillante has also lent her energy to the MBA's Presidential Task Force on Terrorism, the Amicus Committee and the Joint Bar Committee. She is a former recipient of the MBA's Pro Bono Publico Award, a longtime member of the House of Delegates and a Massachusetts Bar Foundation Fellow. She has testified in front of the Massachusetts Legislature on behalf of the MBA and is a frequent guest lecturer for MBA Continuing Legal Education programs. This past year, she was instrumental in establishing the MBA's new General Practice, Solo and Small Firm Section, as well as leading the MBA's efforts to assist lawyers in transition. This will be Squillante's second term as MBA vice-president. She served as secretary in 2005-06.

Squillante is co-chair of the joint MBA/Boston Bar Association Alimony Task Force and the MBA representative on the Equality Commission, a collaborative effort of the BBA/MBA, Women's Bar Foundation, and the Women's Bar Association. She is a member of the Bristol County Bar Association Executive Board and former president of the Fall River Bar Association. Squillante obtained her bachelor's degree from Roger Williams College in 1980 and earned her law degree from the New England School of Law in 1983.

She is highly involved with efforts to address domestic violence in Fall River. Squillante is a former member of the board of directors at the Katie Brown Educational Program, YMCA-Fall River and Domestic Violence Task Force. Squillante is a former visiting lecturer at Bridgewater State College and Bristol Community College.

Alongside Squillante, the other 2007-08 MBA officers include: David W. White Jr., president, Boston; Edward W. McIntyre, president-elect, Clinton; Robert F. Lucas, vice president, Wakefield; Valerie A. Yarashus, treasurer, Boston; and Robert L. Holloway, secretary, Peabody.

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