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**TOTENBERG TO DELIVER KEYNOTE, SEN. EDWARD KENNEDY
HONORED WITH LEGISLATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD AT
MASSACHUSETTS BAR ASSOCIATION ANNUAL DINNER.**

BOSTON, Mass. —National Public Radio's legal affairs correspondent Nina Totenberg will deliver the keynote address and U.S. Sen. Edward M. Kennedy will be honored with the Massachusetts Bar Association's 2007 Legislator of the Year Award at the association's March 2 Annual Dinner at the Marriott Copley Hotel in Boston. The Annual Dinner is the highlight of the MBA's day-long Annual Conference 2007.

Totenberg has been a reporter for NPR for more than 30 years, during which time she has received numerous journalism awards, several honorary degrees and has been recognized by the American Bar Association eight times for excellence in reporting. She may be most known for her 1991 breaking report about Anita Hill's allegations of sexual harassment by Judge Clarence Thomas, a news story that forced the U.S. Senate to re-open Thomas' confirmation hearings.

"Ms. Totenberg's breadth of knowledge and experience in legal reporting is unparalleled nationally," said MBA President Mark D Mason. Mason will also recognize Kennedy with the Legislator of the Year Award, which he described as "an honor for the MBA."

A lifelong resident of Massachusetts, Kennedy received his undergraduate degree at Harvard University and his law degree from the University of Virginia. First elected to the Senate in 1962, Kennedy has been re-elected seven times. Among his many contributions, his most notable initiatives include a commitment to making health care accessible and affordable for all Americans and advocating for education reform, civil and labor rights, immigration reform and tougher environmental laws.

For more information on the March 2 MBA Annual Conference and Annual Dinner, visit www.massbar.org or call the MBA's Member Services Center at (617) 338-0530.

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