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Fall River attorney elected treasurer of the Massachusetts Bar Association

Fall River attorney Denise Squillante has been elected treasurer of the Massachusetts Bar Association for the 2008-09 year, beginning on Sept. 1. A solo practitioner, she concentrates in 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. Squillante 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. Squillante was instrumental in establishing the MBA's new General Practice, Solo & Small Firm Section, as well as leading the MBA's efforts to assist lawyers who are entering or transitioning into the practice of law. This will be Squillante's fourth term as an MBA officer. She previously served one term as MBA secretary and two terms as vice president.

In addition, Squillante has been elected as the Massachusetts delegate to the American Bar Association's House of Delegates for the 2008-09 year, beginning Sept. 1. Squillante is a trustee of Massachusetts Continuing Legal Education Inc., and she also takes part in the Supreme Judicial Court Steering Committee Self-Represented Litigants Advisory Group.

Squillante is co-chair of the joint MBA/Boston Bar Association Alimony Task Force, a member of the Probate Court Scheduling Task Force and the MBA representative on the Equality Commission — a collaborative effort of the MBA, BBA, Women's Bar Foundation and the Women's Bar Association. She is a former president of the Fall River Bar Association, currently on the board of the New England Bar Association and is a member of the Bristol County Bar Association Executive Board.

Squillante obtained her bachelor's degree from Roger Williams College in 1980. She went on to earn her law degree from the New England School of Law in 1983, magna cum laude, and was a New England scholar, ranking in the top five percent of her first year class.

Squillante 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. She is also a former visiting lecturer at Bridgewater State College and Bristol Community College.

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Alongside Squillante, the other 2008-09 MBA officers include: Edward W. McIntyre, president, Clinton; Valerie A. Yarashus, president-elect, Boston; Robert L. Holloway Jr., vice president, Peobody; and Douglas K. Sheff, secretary, Boston.

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.

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