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North End resident and Boston attorney elected vice president of the Massachusetts Bar Association for its centennial year

BOSTON, Mass. — North End resident and Boston attorney Douglas K. Sheff has been elected vice president of the Massachusetts Bar Association for its 2010-11 centennial year, beginning on Sept. 1. A senior partner at Sheff Law Offices, Sheff is a nationally renowned brain injury litigation expert and specializes in all aspects of personal injury law.

In honor of its 100th anniversary, the MBA will be celebrating a century of service to the public, the profession and the rule of law throughout its 2010-11 association year.

Serving his second term as MBA vice president, Sheff is also a member of the MBA's Executive Management Board and Budget and Finance Committee. In addition, Sheff served as MBA secretary in 2008-09 and as chair of the MBA Civil Litigation Section in 2005-06. Sheff also serves as chair of the MBA Membership Committee and chairs the MBA Gala Dinner Committee.

In addition to his work with the MBA, Sheff is a past president of the Massachusetts Academy of Trial Attorneys, serving on its Board of Governors for more than 20 years. Sheff was recently honored with MATA's inaugural Excellence in Advocacy Award for his representation of children and adults who have suffered traumatic brain injury.

Sheff also holds the title of governor to the American Association of Justice, where he has spent more than 20 years working nationally and locally on issues that affect the trial bar. Elected by his national peers, Sheff is a past chair of the AAJ's State Delegates and served as chair of its Council of Presidents, representing 50,000 attorneys nationwide. A Massachusetts Bar Foundation Fellow, Sheff is a recipient of the AAJ's Next Generation Award and a seven-time recipient of its Wiedeman Wysocki Award.

Appointed a trustee of the National College of Advocacy, which provides education for lawyers across the United States, Sheff received the ORT Award for integrity in the law and has been recognized by the publication, "Lifesavers," for preventing injury through aggressive representation of victims of defective products and as a *Boston* magazine "Super Lawyer."

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Sheff received his B.A. from the University of Michigan in 1980 and went on to earn his law degree from Boston College Law School in 1984.

Alongside Sheff, the other 2010-11 MBA officers include: Denise Squillante, president, Fall River; Richard P. Campbell, president-elect, Boston; Jeffrey N. Catalano, vice president, Boston; Robert L. Holloway Jr., treasurer, Peabody; and Marsha V. Kazarosian, secretary, Haverhill.

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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