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## **Ashland resident, Middlesex assistant district attorney to receive Prosecutor Award at MBA Access to Justice Awards May 31**

BOSTON, Mass.—Ashland resident and Middlesex assistant district attorney Michael A. Fabbri will receive the Prosecutor Award from the Massachusetts Bar Association at the Access to Justice Awards May 31. The event will be held during the 2012 Annual Dinner at the Westin Boston Waterfront.

“We applaud these honorees for their ongoing commitment to ensure all Massachusetts residents receive the legal help they need and deserve,” MBA President Richard P. Campbell said. “They are an inspiration for all of us in the legal profession.”

Fabbri is chief trial counsel at the Middlesex District Attorney’s Office, where he has spent 24 of his 26 years as a prosecutor. He has handled many challenging cases, such as the prosecution of Neil Entwistle, the British man convicted in 2008 of murdering his wife, Rachel, and their 9-month-old daughter Lillian-Rose. Fabbri has also held the positions chief of homicide, chief of the Special Investigations Unit, deputy chief of the Appeals and Training Bureau and the Framingham regional supervisor. He also spent two years in the Attorney General’s Office, working in the Special Investigations Unit and as a deputy chief of the Medicaid Fraud Division.

Along with his work in the Middlesex District Attorney’s Office, Fabbri is currently chair of the MBA Criminal Justice Section Council and has also volunteered his time as a coach and judge of the MBA Mock Trial High School Program. In addition, he has served as faculty of the National College of District Attorneys and on the MCLE Curriculum Advisory Committee.

“The process of selecting the Access to Justice Award recipients this year was both humbling and inspiring. Humbling because it is a reminder of how committed these lawyers have been to advancing the cause of justice on behalf of the disadvantaged. Inspiring because these lawyers have achieved results for their clients that permanently change those clients' lives and protect their rights,” MBA Access to Justice Section Chair Charles E. Vander Linden said.

Fabbri is one of four attorneys and one law firm being honored at the Access to Justice Awards for their efforts in providing exemplary legal services to the public. The ceremony is part of the MBA’s Annual Dinner, which will also include a keynote address from Victoria Reggie Kennedy and the presentation of the Legislator of the Year Award to Speaker Robert A. DeLeo.

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