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Stephen A. Saltzburg to receive the 2021 ABF Fellows Outstanding Service Award

CHICAGO, December 16, 2020 – [Stephen A. Saltzburg](#), the Wallace and Beverley Woodbury University Professor of Law at the George Washington University Law School, will receive the 2021 Outstanding Service Award from the Fellows of the American Bar Foundation (ABF). Saltzburg will receive the award during the 65th Annual Fellows Awards Banquet, which will be held virtually on Tuesday, February 16, 2021.

[The ABF Fellows Outstanding Service Award](#) is given to an individual who has, in his or her professional career, adhered for more than thirty years to the highest principles and traditions of the legal profession and to the service of the public.

“We are thrilled to honor Stephen with the Fellows Outstanding Service Award for his exceptional contributions to the legal profession and service to the public,” said Honorable Eileen A. Kato (Ret.), National Chair of the ABF Fellows and Patron Fellow. “With a career that has spanned across law, education, and government, he is not only a leader but an inspiration to us all.”

“I am honored to receive such a significant recognition from the ABF Fellows,” said Saltzburg. “In a time when public service is crucial, it is a great privilege to be recognized with this award.”

Saltzburg has taught at the George Washington University Law School since 1990. He is the founder and Co-Director of the Master’s Program in Litigation and Dispute Resolution. Saltzburg served as the Howrey Professor of Trial Advocacy, Litigation and Professional Responsibility before becoming the Wallace and Beverley Woodbury University Professor of Law in January 2004.

He is also the co-founder and Director of the National Trial Advocacy College at the University of Virginia Law School, previously known as the University of Virginia Law School Trial Advocacy Institute. He was a professor at the University of Virginia School of Law from 1972 to 1990. Saltzburg was named the first incumbent of the Class of 1962 Endowed Chair.

Prior to becoming a professor, Saltzburg held various important government positions. He served two years (1988-1989) as Deputy Assistant Attorney General in the Criminal Division of the Department of Justice, and as the Attorney General's ex officio representative on the United States Sentencing Commission (1989-1990). He was also appointed by the Secretary of the Treasury as the Director of the Tax Refund Fraud Task Force (1994-1995).

Saltzburg served in various government committees as a reporter, counsel, and chair. He was a reporter of the Advisory Committee on the Federal Rules of Criminal Procedure. He also served as chair and reporter for the Civil Justice Reform Act Committee for the District of Columbia District Court. From 1987 to 1988, Professor Saltzburg served as Associate Independent Counsel in the Iran-Contra investigation. Today, Saltzburg is a member of the ABA House of Delegates from the Criminal Justice Section (which he served as Chair in 2009).

Among his various accomplishments, Saltzburg has also produced numerous books and articles on criminal law and procedure, evidence, litigation, and trial advocacy. These include *American Criminal Procedure* (11th ed. 2018); *Federal Rules of Evidence Manual* (12th ed. 2019); *Military Evidentiary Foundations* (6th ed. 2016); *Military Rules of Evidence Manual* (8th ed. 2015); *Trying Cases to Win: In One Volume* (2013); and *Trying Cases to Win: In One Volume Student Edition* (2020).

Event Details:

The Fellows of the American Bar Foundation
65th Annual Award Reception and Banquet
To be held virtually on Tuesday, February 16, 2021 at 6 P.M. CT

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