

ROTHMAN HONORED WITH 2011 WASHULAW DISTINGUISHED LAW ALUMNI AWARD

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A well-attended dinner was held on April 15, 2011, at the Washington University School of Law to honor distinguished alumni, including Kenneth J. Rothman. The Distinguished Law Alumnus Awards honor alumni who have obtained distinction in their professional or academic careers. According to Washington University criteria for the award: Those being honored share characteristics of leadership, progressive thinking, high standards, uncompromising integrity, commitment, courage, and confidence. Their careers serve as models for Washington University law students and alumni.

Ken has been practicing law for over 50 years and has served St. Louis County as an assistant prosecuting attorney, served the country in the Missouri Air National Guard during the Berlin crisis, and served the State of Missouri as a Member of the House of Representatives (where he was elected House Majority Leader and Speaker) and as Lieutenant Governor. In those capacities, Ken was responsible for passage of numerous laws, including those relating to: The Public Defender System; New Drug Code; Mental Health Reform; Nursing Home Reform; and Extension of the Non Partisan Court Plan.

At the award dinner, Ken told the audience that his greatest achievement (and the reason he sleeps well at night) was his participation and leadership in the creation of the State's Child Abuse Prevention Law.

Since 1984, Ken has dedicated his energies to his clients in private practice. He has always served those clients with enthusiasm, hard work, honor, and integrity. Even while in private practice, he has served as Judge for the City of St. Ann and as Provisional Judge for the City of Richmond Heights.

Since 2001, Ken has been "of counsel" to the law firm of Capes, Sokol, Goodman & Sarachan, PC where he continues to serve his clients and his community.

The choice of a lawyer is an important decision and should not be based solely upon advertisements.