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**Hon. Gerald E. Lynch to Receive NYCLA's Edward Weinfeld Award at Luncheon Honoring the Federal Courts in New York County on October 29**

**OCTOBER 5, 2009 – NEW YORK, NY** – The New York County Lawyers' Association's (NYCLA) Federal Courts Committee is recognizing the Honorable Gerard E. Lynch, Circuit Judge on the United States Court of Appeals for the Second Circuit, by presenting him with NYCLA's Edward Weinfeld at the annual Luncheon Honoring the Federal Courts in New York City on Thursday, October 29 at 12:00 p.m. at the NYCLA Home of Law, 14 Vesey Street. The Honorable Denise L. Cote, Judge Lynch's former colleague on the United States District Court for the Southern District of New York, will present the award.

The Edward Weinfeld Award acknowledges distinguished contributions to the administration of justice and is named for the Honorable Edward Weinfeld (1901-1988). Judge Weinfeld served as a District Judge for the Southern District of New York for nearly 40 years and was the oldest active District Judge in the United States at the time of his death. Judge Weinfeld was known for dedication and fairness of such a high order that he became a legend in legal circles. The Honorable John Gleeson, District Judge for the Eastern District of New York, received the award in 2008.

Tickets for the luncheon are \$100 each or \$1,250 for table of ten with a firm placard. To purchase tickets, checks can be sent (made payable to NYCLA) and mailed to: Hon. Joseph Kevin McKay, Luncheon Chair, New York County Lawyers' Association, c/o NYS Supreme Court, 320 Jay Street, Suite 25.94, Brooklyn, NY 11201.

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