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Dear Colleague:

I am pleased to invite you to a Hellenic Bar Association (“HBA”) event on October 19, 2011 at the Greek Consulate in Boston honoring our fellow member and Board of Director, Emmanuel N. Papanickolas for being selected as a 2010 Lawyer of the Year by Massachusetts Lawyers Weekly for the successful decision in the Supreme Judicial Court case of Papadopoulos, et al. v. Target Corp, et al. (“Papadopoulos”) which overturned the “natural accumulation rule”, a common law doctrine dating back to 1883. As a result of Papadopoulos, the SJC abolished the 19<sup>th</sup> century doctrine distinguishing between natural and unnatural accumulations of snow and ice and instead requiring courts to decide whether a landowner took reasonable precautions to keep the property safe. The Papadopoulos case has been hailed as one of the most important cases for public safety in decades.

Whether you are a member or not, please come and join us in honoring Emmanuel for his accomplishment and also to have an opportunity to meet fellow Phil-Hellene attorneys and be informed about the HBA and what it has to offer. I hope you will be able to attend and please feel free to bring any guests who may be interested. Enclosed please find an invitation containing more details about the event. Please respond to me by email or fax confirming your attendance by no later than Wednesday, October 12, 2011.

Founded in 1998, the HBA is a premier association of legal professionals of Greek decent in New England which is committed to serving the legal profession and the Greek American community by promoting professional excellence, cultural awareness, community service and civic involvement. I am also enclosing the HBA brochure for non-members to provide them with information about the organization which also includes an application for membership. I encourage non-members to give serious consideration in joining the HBA and enjoying the many benefits that the HBA has to offer. The enclosed brochure is being provided to existing members as a reminder for them to pay their dues if they have not already done so.

Please feel free to contact me with any questions. Otherwise, I look forward to seeing you at the Greek Consulate on October 19<sup>th</sup>!

Very truly yours,

MICHAEL H. ZAFIROPOULOS