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ASSISTANT U.S. ATTORNEY JULIE PORTER RECOGNIZED AT ANNUAL U.S. ATTORNEY AWARDS CEREMONY

CHICAGO — The Department of Justice held its 26th annual Executive Office for United States Attorneys (EOUSA) Director’s Awards Ceremony today, during which 146 award recipients from more than 30 districts were recognized for their dedication to carrying out the Department of Justice’s mission. Among the award recipients was Assistant U.S. Attorney Julie B. Porter, of the Northern District of Illinois, who was honored for being a leader and role model as a federal prosecutor. Other recipients included Assistant United States Attorneys, law enforcement agents, litigation teams and others who have made outstanding contributions in federal, state and local law enforcement.

Ms. Porter joined the U.S. Attorney’s Office in 2004. She is currently a deputy chief in the Financial Crimes and Special Prosecutions Section and also serves as the Project Safe Childhood coordinator in the 165-attorney office.

“These award recipients have been honored for their service and commitment to our country, as well as to their local communities,” said Attorney General Eric Holder. “Each of these dedicated servants has carried out the important mission of the Department of Justice. Their accomplishments have advanced the interests of justice on behalf of the American people.”

Patrick J. Fitzgerald, United States Attorney for the Northern District of Illinois, said: “Julie has done outstanding work in multiple areas, including prosecuting the office’s most serious child exploitation cases against such defendants as a priest and a school principal. In spearheading the district’s Project Safe Childhood efforts, she routinely trains other prosecutors to work on these significant cases and provides counsel to her colleagues at every stage.”

Ms. Porter also played key roles as a member of the prosecution teams in the corporate fraud trial of Conrad Black and other executives of the Hollinger international newspaper publishing company, and in multiple public corruption cases involving the City of Chicago’s Hired Truck program.

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