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PETER BIRNBAUM RECEIVES MAKING A DIFFERENCE AWARD

Peter J. Birnbaum, president and CEO of Attorneys' Title Guaranty Fund, Inc. (ATG), received the *Making a Difference Award* from The Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Lend-A-Hand Program as part of its "My Hero Awards" at a luncheon held today [July 28] at the Standard Club in Chicago.

The Abraham Lincoln Marovitz Lend-A-Hand Program is a joint program of The Chicago Bar Association and the Chicago Bar Foundation. Lend-A-Hand strives to help young people from disadvantaged Chicago communities succeed in school and reach their full potential by providing grants, attorney mentors/volunteers, and other resources to outstanding tutor/mentor agencies who provide one-on-one mentoring opportunities to young people.

Long active in Chicago social service organizations that help economically-disadvantaged children, Birnbaum was, among other things, board president of Big Brothers Big Sisters of Metropolitan Chicago in 1997-99. He established and was chair of the organization's annual golf outing fundraiser for seven consecutive years, raising hundreds of thousands of dollars to benefit its programs for youth. He has served as a volunteer "Big Brother" for Kyron Shaw, a freshman at Triton College, for seven years. And his wife, Juliet, has been a Big Sister for nine years to Waunakee Jackson, a sophomore at University of Maryland. Peter, Juliet and daughter Madeline reside in the Old Town neighborhood of Chicago.

Through its 3,700 attorney-members, ATG strives to keep lawyers involved in real estate transactions for the benefit of the client. In addition to providing title insurance to home buyers and lenders, the company offers a variety of investment and other services delivered by subsidiary companies. These subsidiaries include a trust company, a mortgage bank, and a real estate auction company. ATG is headquartered in Champaign and downtown Chicago and has offices in Mt. Prospect, Chicago (mid-north side), Homewood, Libertyville, Lombard, North Riverside, Oak Lawn, Wheaton, and Belleville, Illinois; and Madison, Wisconsin.

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