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John R. McGinley Jr. Named Presidential Merit Award Recipient

Awards to be presented at Sept. 15 Fall Foundation Reception at Hotel Monaco

PITTSBURGH – The Allegheny County Bar Foundation (ACBF) has named **John R. “Jack” McGinley Jr.** the recipient of its **2026 Presidential Merit Award**, recognizing his decades of service, philanthropy, and commitment to the Foundation, the legal profession, and the greater Pittsburgh community.

He will receive this award at the ACBF’s Fall Foundation Reception on Tuesday, Sept. 15, 5:30 p.m., at Hotel Monaco in Downtown Pittsburgh.

McGinley served for 22 years on the ACBF’s **Lawyers’ Fund Committee**, helping provide critical assistance to attorneys, law students, and their families during times of need. He has also played a significant leadership role in the Foundation’s **Attorneys Against Hunger Campaign**, coordinating its Challenge Grant with the support of his family, law firm Eckert Seamans, and the Rita M. McGinley Foundation. Since 1993, Attorneys Against Hunger has awarded more than **\$2.8 million** to local food banks, shelters, and soup kitchens.

McGinley was also instrumental in supporting the ACBF’s *The Path of a Leader* Endowment Campaign, helping strengthen the Foundation’s long-term ability to advance access to justice and serve the community.

“Jack’s decades of service reflect an extraordinary commitment to helping others and strengthening our legal community,” said Bryan Neft, ACBF President. “His leadership and generosity have made a lasting impact on the Foundation and the many people our programs serve.”

The Presidential Merit Award recognizes individuals whose exceptional service and leadership have significantly advanced the mission of the Allegheny County Bar Foundation.

For more information, visit www.ACBF.org.

About the ACBF

The ACBF provides educational programming, promotes public awareness of the legal and judicial systems, renders legal services to clients with low incomes and provides financial assistance and grants to legal-related organizations. The Foundation’s Pro Bono Center helps attorneys fulfill their professional responsibility to provide public interest legal services by creating, managing, and supporting programs that match volunteer attorneys with individuals with low incomes facing legal issues that threaten their basic human needs. For more information, visit www.PittsburghProBono.org.

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