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****MEDIA ALERT****
*****PRESS CONFERENCE*****

**Public Counsel To Present 2007 William O. Douglas Award To Madeleine K. Albright,
Former United States Secretary Of State And Ambassador To United Nations**

~ Madeleine Albright And Public Counsel CEO Dan Grunfeld To Speak With Press ~

Grunfeld To Appeal For More Attorneys and Volunteers To Meet Critical Need For Services

WHAT: Public Counsel, the largest public interest *pro bono* law firm in the world, will honor Dr. Madeleine K. Albright, former United States Secretary of State and Ambassador to the United Nations, with the 2007 William O. Douglas Award at the organization's annual tribute dinner, recognizing Dr. Albright's distinguished service to the nation and her ongoing efforts to build a just and equitable world.

Prior to the dinner that will be attended by over 1,200 of Los Angeles's leading business and legal figures, Dr. Albright and Public Counsel President and CEO Dan Grunfeld will speak to media. Grunfeld will address the critical need for more attorneys, professionals and students to volunteer their time for *pro bono* aid on behalf of abused and abandoned children, families living in abject poverty, homeless veterans, the neglected elderly and refugees fleeing persecution in their countries. According to Grunfeld, "The sad reality is that for every deserving client Public Counsel assists, there are 10 more we must turn away." Professionals sought include business executives, accountants, social workers, doctors, psychologists, and special education teachers and advocates.

Also on hand for the press conference will be representatives from the other honorees for the evening—Southern California Edison and the law firm Holland & Knight LLP, as well as TV show host and philanthropist Monty Hall, who is being acknowledged for his years of leadership in establishing and expanding medical care and treatment facilities for vulnerable children in North America.

WHO: Madeleine K. Albright, former U.S. Secretary of State and United Nations Ambassador
Warren M. Christopher, former U.S. Secretary of State
John E. Bryson, Chairman, Chief Executive Officer and President, Edison International
Howell W. Melton, Jr., National Managing Partner, Holland & Knight LLP
Monty Hall, TV Show Host and Philanthropist
Dan Grunfeld, President and CEO, Public Counsel

WHEN: Tuesday, June 19, 2007
News Conference and photo opportunity 5:45 p.m. to 7:00 p.m.

WHERE: Hyatt Regency Century Plaza
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