

LEGACY LUNCHEON— 4TH ANNUAL CELEBRATION HONORING
GREATER CLEVELANDERS WHO HAVE IMPROVED THE LIVES OF INDIVIDUALS
WITH INTELLECTUAL AND DEVELOPMENTAL DISABILITIES.



JUDGE
BURT W. GRIFFIN

THE BEN M. BONANNO EXCELLENCE IN ADVOCACY AWARD
THE 2009 RECIPIENT IS **JUDGE BURT W. GRIFFIN**, A
POWERFUL ACTIVIST WHO PLAYED A CRITICAL ROLE IN
SENTENCING REFORM AND OVERALL COMPASSION FOR
PEOPLE WITH DISABILITIES. THIS AWARD IS NAMED FOR
EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR EMERITUS OF THE ARC OF
GREATER CLEVELAND.



WALTER MAYHEW

THE EXCELLENCE IN SELF-ADVOCACY AWARD
THIS YEAR'S RECIPIENT IS **WALTER MAYHEW**, WHO
DEMONSTRATES THROUGH HIS OWN FORTITUDE A
POSITIVE EXAMPLE OF INDEPENDENCE AND SELF
DETERMINATION. THIS AWARD RECOGNIZES AN
INDIVIDUAL WITH AN INTELLECTUAL OR DEVELOPMENTAL
DISABILITY THAT HAS MADE ACHIEVEMENTS BEYOND
EXPECTATIONS AND SERVES AS A ROLE MODEL FOR THE
COMMUNITY.



ROBERT PERSKE

KEYNOTE SPEAKER IS ROBERT PERSKE, WHO OVER THE LAST TWO DECADES, HAS FOCUSED ON PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES WHO HAVE BEEN COERCED INTO FALSELY CONFESSING TO CRIMES THEY DID NOT COMMIT. HE IS THE AUTHOR OF 16 BOOKS RELATING TO THE FIELD, AS WELL AS BEING THE ONLY NON-LAWYER TO EVER RECEIVE THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION'S ANNUAL PAUL HEARNE AWARD FOR SERVICE TO PERSONS WITH INTELLECTUAL DISABILITIES.



LOREE VICK

MISTRESS OF CEREMONIES IS LOREE VICK, SERVES AS SENIOR PUBLIC RELATIONS AND MEDIA ADVISOR FOR UNIVERSITY HOSPITALS. SHE CAME TO UH IN 2005. A NATIVE CLEVELANDER, MS. VICK HAD AN AWARD-WINNING SIXTEEN YEAR CAREER WITH CBS AND FOX NEWS TELEVISION IN CLEVELAND, SERVING AS NOON NEWS ANCHOR AND REPORTER ON THE MEDICAL, CONSUMER, FAMILY AND FOOD BEATS.