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ALSTON & BIRD HONORED FOR GUANTANAMO BAY DETAINEE WORK

Southern Center for Human Rights Presents Frederick Douglass Human Rights Award to GTMO Team

ATLANTA (April 24, 2008) - Alston & Bird's Guantanamo Bay (GTMO) team is a co-recipient of the 2007 Frederick Douglass Human Rights Award, an honor bestowed on them by the Southern Center for Human Rights during its 2007 Awards Dinner, held last November in Washington D.C. The GTMO team was recognized for its work "safeguarding the fundamental human rights of persons detained at Guantanamo Bay."

Jon Fee, partner and chair of the firm's D.C. Pro Bono Committee, is a leader of the GTMO group. "Our Guantanamo team includes litigators, business lawyers, former military personnel and staff who share a simple goal—to obtain fair hearings or release and repatriation of men detained without trial for six years. We seek access for these detainees to the same justice system we serve in our many areas of practice."

Each individual on the team was recognized at the ceremony *in absentia*. Those honored were Susan Barkoff, Becky Brown, Jenna Moore Colvin, Jon Fee, Paul Kaplan, Kip Kirkpatrick, Daniel Klein, Diego Marquez, Kristin Ann Meister, Cheryl Naja, Susie Rush, Jeff Schwartz, Ben Snowden, Christina Spiller, Terry Walsh, Michael Ward and Jill Williamson.

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