

Dr. Ted Epperly and Hon. Edward Lodge to be Honored March 11

BOISE, Idaho – November 23, 2015 – Two significant leaders in Idaho – Ted Epperly, M.D. and the Hon. Edward Lodge – will be honored at the nonprofit Concordia University School of Law’s 4th Annual Leaders in Action Awards on Friday, March 11, 2016. To learn more about Concordia University School of Law’s Leaders in Action Awards, visit <http://law.cu-portland.edu/get-involved/leaders-action-awards>

The Concordia University Leaders in Action Awards is an opportunity to acknowledge two statewide leaders – one in law and one in education – who have made significant contributions to improving the State and the lives of Idahoans. The awards event is in line with Concordia University’s mission to prepare leaders for the transformation of society.

Concordia Law is honored to announce this year’s 2016 Leaders in Action: Ted Epperly, M.D., Professor of Family Medicine, University of Washington School of Medicine and CEO, Family Medicine Residency of Idaho, for his leadership in education, and the Hon. Edward Lodge, Senior Judge, U.S. District Court for Idaho, for his leadership in law.

Ted Epperly

Dr. Ted Epperly is the President and CEO of the Family Medicine Residency of Idaho, a large Federally Qualified Teaching Health Center comprised of seven clinics, three family medicine residency programs, and four fellowships.

Dr. Epperly retired July 2001 as Colonel after serving 21 years in the United States Army. Dr. Epperly served as the past President and Board Chair of the American Academy of Family Physicians (AAFP). He is a current member of the ACGME Board of Directors that has responsibility of all residency and fellowship training for over 120,000 residents and fellows of all specialties in the United States.

He currently serves as the Governor appointed Chairman of the Board for the Idaho Healthcare Coalition that is in charge of helping transform healthcare for the State of Idaho. His book *Fractured: America’s Broken Health Care System and What Must Be Done to Heal It* provides excellent insight to the U.S healthcare system.

Hon. Edward Lodge

In 1963, Judge Edward J. Lodge began his distinguished judicial career and is one of Idaho’s longest serving judges. Judge Lodge was sworn in as a licensed attorney in 1962. He began his public service as a judge when he was selected to serve as a Probate Judge in 1963. Two years later, he was appointed by the Governor as the youngest state District Court Judge in Idaho. He served as District and Administrative Judge for the Third Judicial District of Idaho for nearly 23 years. In January of 1988, he was chosen to be a United States Bankruptcy Judge for the District of Idaho.

In 1989, he was nominated by President George H. W. Bush to serve as a United States District Judge for the District of Idaho. Judge Lodge’s nomination was confirmed and he began his tenure as a United States District Judge on December 1, 1989. Judge Lodge served as the Chief Judge for the District of Idaho from

1992 -1999. He was selected to serve on the Ninth Circuit Judicial Council and was elected as Chair of the Conference of Chief District Judges.