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Media Advisory: July 13, 2016

Keynote speaker ABA President Paulette Brown in Boise

BOISE – In a keynote address for the Idaho State Bar’s Annual Meeting, American Bar Association President Paulette Brown will focus on America’s commitment to diversity, inclusion, equality and justice, especially in light of recent violence in Baton Rouge, Minneapolis and Dallas.

Ms. Brown will speak at the Hotel Riverside, 2900 W. Chinden, during the Plenary Session at 9 a.m. Thursday, July 14. During her time as ABA President, Ms. Brown has stressed that communities need safe places for children to have fun. She will visit the Boys and Girls Club of Ada County, 610 E. 42nd Street, Garden City, on Wednesday, July 13, at 4 p.m.

We welcome members of the media to the Annual Meeting keynote address or awards events. Attached is a photo of Ms. Brown.

For future story ideas, please see the attached brochure, *Lawyers Serve!*, which notes the numerous activities of Idaho lawyers.

Ms. Brown has been recognized by the *National Law Journal* as one of "The 50 Most Influential Minority Lawyers in America" and by the *New Jersey Law Journal* as one of the "prominent women and minority attorneys in the State of New Jersey." She has received the New Jersey Medal from the New Jersey State Bar Foundation and currently serves on its Board of Trustees.

In 2009, Ms. Brown was a recipient of the Spirit of Excellence Award from the ABA Commission on Racial and Ethnic Diversity in the Profession. In 2011, she was honored with the Margaret Brent Women Lawyers of Achievement Award by the ABA Commission on Women in the Profession. Brown, who served as President of the National Bar Association from 1993-1994, received the NBA's highest honor, The C. Francis Stradford Award, in 2015.

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