FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE:

Judge John R. Stegner set to receive Idaho State Bar Distinguished Jurist Award

Boise, Idaho-July 10, 2017 – The Honorable John R. Stegner of Moscow will receive the Idaho State Bar's highest judiciary honor, the Distinguished Jurist Award, on July 12 during the Idaho State Bar Annual Meeting on the University of Idaho campus. Judge Stegner is a District Judge in Idaho's Second Judicial District Court. He is past president of the Ray McNichols Inn of Court and of the Idaho District Judges Association. Judge Stegner has been a member of the statewide Drug Court and Mental Health Court Coordinating Committee since 2001. He helped create Latah County's Drug Court in 2002 and the county's Mental Health Court in 2012. He is also a member of the Idaho Criminal Justice Commission where he chairs the subcommittee on mental health and substance abuse. A native of Grangeville, Judge Stegner is the author of *Ten Things to Do in My Courtroom*. He received his law degree from the University of Idaho College of Law.

The Distinguished Jurist Award recognizes excellence, integrity and independence by a member of the judiciary. Individuals are selected for their competence, fairness, goodwill and professionalism.

For more information about the Idaho State Bar Distinguished Jurist Award or the 2017 Idaho State Bar Annual Meeting, contact Mahmood Sheikh at 208-334-4500.

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