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**Rick Unklesbay Inducted into the American College of Trial Lawyers**

(Tucson, Arizona) – Barbara LaWall, Pima County Attorney, is extremely pleased to announce that **Rick Unklesbay, Chief Trial Counsel, Homicide/Cold Case Unit**, has been inducted as a Fellow into the *American College of Trial Lawyers*, one of the premier legal associations in America.

The induction ceremony took place in Boston, Massachusetts during the Annual Meeting (October 8-11, 2009) of the College.

Founded in 1950, the College is composed of the best of the trial bar from the United States and Canada. Fellowship in the College is extended by invitation only, and only after careful investigation, to those experienced trial lawyers who have mastered the art of advocacy and whose professional careers have been marked by the highest standards of ethical conduct, professionalism, civility, and collegiality.

Mr. Unklesbay is an alumnus of the University of Arizona Law School. He began his work in the Pima County Attorney's Office as a prosecutor, and has been in the Criminal Division for almost 30 years.

When asked to comment about the induction, Unklesbay said, "I was honored and quite surprised to find out that I would be inducted into the College." Barbara LaWall said: "I'm not at all surprised – Rick Unklesbay has devoted his career to prosecuting those who violate the law and threaten and endanger the citizens of this community. Rick has successfully prosecuted some of the most difficult cases my office has ever encountered. The work he does to protect this community is phenomenal. Rick Unklesbay is one of the finest prosecutors I know."

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