## Trial Lawyers Section

## NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

Whereas: The Trial Lawyers Section of the New York State Bar Association is dedicated to the

Preservation, Teaching and Advancement of the Art of Trial Advocacy, as is evidenced by

the Section's numerous Continuing Legal Education activities, and

Whereas: The Executive Committee of the Trial Lawyers, in 1978, at the instance of its then Chair,

Gunther H. Kilsch, established The Trial Lawyers Cup Awards Program to encourage and support the teaching of Trial Advocacy by the Law Schools of the State of New York, and

Whereas: The Trial Lawyers Cup, so named in perpetuity to honor all Trial Lawyers, is awarded, on

a rotating basis, to the New York State Law School Team which participates in and places highest in the annual National Trial Competition, sponsored by the Texas Young Lawyers

Association, and

Whereas: In 1979, the Team fielded by The College of Law, Syracuse University, consisting of E.

Cohen, M. D'Agostino and J. Priest was the first recipient of the Trial Lawyers Cup, together with its emoluments, and since teams fielded by Syracuse University have won the Cup no less than nine additional times, the Executive Committee, at the instance of Gunther H. Kilsch, wishes to recognize Professor Emeritus, Travis H.D. Lewin, who has been a guiding force, mentoring students and fellow professors alike. In addition, Professor Lewin voluntarily assisted Anthony J. Demarco, Jr. (appointed, in 1978, by Mr. Kilsch, to be the Chair of the Section's Trial Lawyers Cup Committee) in the organization of each years competition, spending countless hours arranging schedules, recruiting Judges to preside over mock trials, and mentoring coaches, thereby facilitating the completion of each year's

competition, and

Whereas: Mr. Lewin, born in Long Beach California, on August 24th, 1933, joined the Faculty of The

College of Law, Syracuse University in the fall of 1967, and, with an understanding of the role of an Advocate, set about imbuing students at the School with a recognition of the importance of, and the need for, devoted advocacy in the practice of law. His single minded dedication, devotion and skill has influenced hundreds of students, as well as fellow professors and led to national recognition of the School as a "Center of Excellence in Trial Advocacy" as well as recognition, in 2002, by US News & World Report which ranked the

College of Law, Syracuse University, in the top ten law schools teaching Trial Advocacy.

Wherefore: It is hereby Resolved that: In gratitude, to honor Travis H.D. Lewin, the Executive Committee

of The Trial Lawyers Section hereby establishes "The Travis H.D. Lewin Coaching Award", to be awarded annually, to the Coach of the school whose team wins The Trial Lawyers Cup,

together with an emolument of \$1000.00.



In witness hereof, I have affixed my hand and caused the Seal Of The New York State Bar Association tobe affixed on this Day Of , 201 **Tom Valet, Chair** 

Executive Committee of the Trial Lawyers Section, New York State Bar Association