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**Louisiana Bar Foundation Receives *Cy Pres* Funds**

Baton Rouge-The Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) is the recipient of *cy pres* funds from a class settlement in the “In Re Vulcan Litigation- April 2001 incidents” lawsuit.

LBF Vice President Mathile Abramson accepted a check for \$38,600 on December 1, 2010 in Baton Rouge from representatives of the parties to the litigation.

The *cy pres* doctrine suggests that residual funds be used for a purpose that furthers the interests of the class. When supplemental class payments are not practical or economical following the primary distribution, funds should be put to the next best use. The parties agreed that because the amount of money remaining did not justify another supplemental distribution to the class members, they received court approval to distribute the funds to the LBF for uses that benefit the class.

Photo Caption: From left, Brad Myers, Kean Miller, representing Vulcan Materials Company; Phil Bohrer, Bohrer Law Firm, representing the plaintiffs, Mathile Abramson, LBF Vice President and Drew Sellers, Powers, Sellers, Mixon & Chapoton, LLP, representing Industrial Coating Contractors, Inc.

For more information about the Louisiana Bar Foundation <http://www.raisingthebar.org/index.asp>

*Louisiana Bar Foundation (LBF) is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) entity organized under the state of Louisiana. As the largest state funder of legal aid, the LBF supports programs providing free legal services for the poor in all 64 parishes. Since 1989, the LBF has distributed more than \$40 million throughout Louisiana to help address the legal needs of indigent citizens, provide a basic understanding of the law, and assist with improvements to the justice system.*

*The LBF exists to preserve, honor and improve our system of justice by funding, developing or otherwise promoting efforts which enhance the legal profession, increase public understanding of the legal system and advance the reality of equal justice under the law.*

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