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Barbara Bergman sworn in as president-elect of nation's top criminal defense organization

Washington D.C. -- Barbara Bergman, a law professor in Albuquerque, NM, was installed as president-elect of the National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers July 31, at the association's annual meeting in San Francisco. Previously, Bergman has served as first vice president, second vice president, treasurer, secretary, and Board Member. She has also chaired the NACDL Budget Committee and Investment Committee and co-chaired the *Amicus Curiae* Committee. She received NACDL's top member award, the *Robert C. Heeney Award*, in 2000 for her outstanding service to the criminal defense bar.

Bergman has been a professor of law at the University of New Mexico Law School since 1987. At UNM, Bergman teaches a felony public defender clinic and continues to take criminal cases. A former D.C. public defender, Bergman served on the defense team for Terry Nichols in the state capital prosecution in Oklahoma. She has also co-authored books to aid criminal defense attorneys in their practice.

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The National Association of Criminal Defense Lawyers is the preeminent organization in the United States advancing the mission of the nation's criminal defense lawyers to ensure justice and due process for persons accused of crime or wrongdoing. A professional bar association founded in 1958, NACDL's 11,200 direct members — and 84 state and local affiliate organizations with another 30,000 members — include private criminal defense lawyers, public defenders, active-duty military defense counsel, law professors and judges committed to preserving fairness within America's criminal justice system.

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