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LOS ANGELES AREA CHAMBER OF COMMERCE INSTALLS 2007 BOARD

David Fleming, of counsel, Latham & Watkins, LLP
becomes first board chair from San Fernando Valley

LOS ANGELES – The Los Angeles Area Chamber of Commerce gavel was passed to David Fleming, of counsel, Latham & Watkins, LLP, from immediate past Chair David Nichols, senior vice president-external affairs-California, AT&T. Fleming was installed as the new chair of the board at the Chamber’s Inaugural Dinner on Jan. 25. A resident of Studio City, he is the first San Fernando Valley resident to chair the Chamber’s board in its 118-year history.

Timothy McCallion, president of Verizon is first vice chair and Fran Inman, senior vice president-corporate development of Majestic Reality Co. becomes second vice chair. Chamber board members serve as champions for economic prosperity for the Los Angeles region, furthering the mission of the L.A. Chamber to improve the overall quality of life for businesses and citizens in L.A.

“I look forward to working closely with David Fleming this year and am honored to work with some of the most influential leaders from throughout our community to build a better L.A.,” said Chamber President & CEO Gary Toebben.

Fleming, a member of the California State Bar since 1959, is currently of counsel to Latham & Watkins, LLP, the second largest law firm in the U.S. and the fourth largest in the world. In 1996, Fleming was appointed by then Gov. Pete Wilson to the California Transportation Committee. He was also an integral part of the effort for a city charter reform, which was passed by L.A. voters in 1999. Fleming has affected positive change in and around the region for the past 40 years, contributing to charities and serving on the boards of civic and community organizations.

“At the top of my list as incoming chair of this prestigious organization is making 2007 the year of organized business,” Fleming said. “It’s high time we unite the voices of the hundreds of thousands of job creators and risk takers that power the L.A. economy. I believe that business, working together, can achieve anything—and bringing those voices together will be my primary task in the year ahead.”
The Chamber’s first vice chair, Timothy McCallion, is West region president for Verizon, where his responsibilities include government and public affairs and community relations. Throughout his more than 30 years at Verizon, McCallion has assumed several management roles and has actively participated in numerous community-based and business organizations.

The Chamber’s second vice chair is Fran Inman, who serves as senior vice president-corporate development, Majestic Realty Co. Inman oversees marketing and public relations activities. She was also named the first president of the Majestic Realty Foundation, the firm’s corporate giving program established in 2002. Majestic Realty Co. holds a portfolio of more than 70 million square feet of commercial properties with corporate headquarters in L.A.

View a complete board roster at http://www.lachamber.org/2007%20BOARD%20ROSTER.pdf. Photos of the Chamber’s 2007 board of directors are available upon request.

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