

**CALL FOR NOMINATIONS FOR
IPLAC 2007 CREATOR OF THE YEAR AWARD**

The Intellectual Property Law Association of Chicago (IPLAC) solicits nominations for its **2007 Creator of the Year Award**. The Award honors those who have made a significant creative contribution in one or more of the substantive areas protected by intellectual property law. Achievements that could form the basis for a nomination include:

- *In the area of patent law:* An invention or group of inventions having technological significance and an important social and economic impact, resulting in one or more issued U.S. patents.
- *In the area of trademark law:* A powerful branding program that combines a strong trademark or service mark, preferably registered, and a memorable advertising and marketing campaign.
- *In the area of copyright law:* An important and original work of authorship, in the literary, musical, visual, dramatic or other arts, preferably covered by a U.S. copyright registration.

There is no time limit for the nominee's creative work underlying the nomination. Nominees may include individuals as well as groups of individuals and corporations, and need not be the current owner of the corresponding intellectual property right. Most or all of the creative activity must have occurred in the Chicago metropolitan area. Selections will be made by IPLAC's Board of Directors upon recommendation of IPLAC's Creator of the Year Award committee.

The winner or winners will be honored at IPLAC's annual meeting in May 2007 and will be presented with a plaque in recognition of the award.

Any individual or organization may submit nominations for the Creator of the Year Award. Nominations must be received by March 15, 2007. Nomination forms and additional information are available on IPLAC's website at www.iplac.org, or by contacting David S. Fleming of Brinks Hofer Gilson & Lione (telephone 312-321-7734, email dfleming@brinkshofer.com).