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Mary Alice McLarty Elected as President-Elect of National Trial Bar

Washington, DC—Dallas attorney Mary Alice McLarty has been elected as president-elect of the American Association for Justice (AAJ), the world's largest trial bar, at the organization's annual convention.

McLarty, of McLarty Pope Firm, L.L.P., has been practicing law for over 27 years, concentrating her practice on catastrophic injury cases. She has held leadership positions with the Texas Trial Lawyers Association and the Dallas Trial Lawyers Association, serving as their president in 2004.

“Mary Alice’s leadership will be essential as we work to engage our membership and fight for AAJ’s mission in Congress, the courts, and in the arena of public opinion,” said AAJ President Gary M. Paul.

“I look forward to continuing my service in AAJ leadership to strengthen our civil justice system and the Seventh Amendment right to trial by jury,” said McLarty. “The courts are the only place in America where all are created equal, and I am honored to be a leader in the effort to preserve and protect our civil justice system.”

McLarty will serve as president-elect for the next year, and then become AAJ’s president for 2012-2013.

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