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D.A. LYNNE ABRAHAM HOSTS THE FIFTH ANNUAL MINORITY PROSECUTORS RECRUITMENT RECEPTION

D.A.'s Goal is to Attract 'The Best and the Brightest' From as Diverse a Group as Possible

WHAT: Fifth Annual Minority Prosecutors Recruitment Reception
WHEN: Thursday October 7, 2004---- 5:00pm to 7:00pm
WHERE: Conversation Hall
201 City Hall

**5:30PM
DISTRICT ATTORNEY LYNNE M. ABRAHAM
Welcoming Remarks**

District Attorney Lynne Abraham today welcomes 80 law students and prospective prosecutors to her Fifth Annual Minority Recruitment Reception as part of her ongoing commitment to diversity in the district attorney's office. The annual reception is one component of the district attorney's commitment to excellence and diversity in the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office.

"As the CEO of the city's largest law firm, I am proud of the diversity in my office," said D.A. Lynne Abraham.

Representatives from the Asian-American Bar Association, the Barristers' Association, the Hispanic Bar Association, the National Black Prosecutors Association, current and former prosecutors from the Philadelphia District Attorney's Office, the

Pennsylvania Attorney General's Office and the United States Attorney's Office will answer questions and talk about their own careers as prosecutors.

Through District Attorney Lynne Abraham's proactive recruitment initiative, more than 80 law school students from Temple, the University of Pennsylvania, Widener University and Rutgers will attend this year's reception.

"We offer courtroom experience that is unparalleled anywhere in the legal profession," said D.A. Lynne Abraham, "and I am committed to hiring the best and the brightest men and women from as diverse a group as possible."