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GOWLINGS CELEBRATES DAVID ESTRIN'S 30 YEARS IN ENVIRONMENTAL LAW
Canadian Bar Association establishes prize in honour of Estrin's contribution

Toronto, ON – January 27, 2005 – Gowling Lafleur Henderson LLP (Gowlings) is honoured to celebrate Partner David Estrin's 30th anniversary in private practice as an environmental law specialist and one of Canada's most respected environmental lawyers. Mr. Estrin is a pioneer in this field, beginning his career as a sole practitioner when environmental law was new to Canadian jurisprudence—today he is a leader in this vibrant, well-established practice area.

"As one of the first environmental lawyers in Canada, David has helped define environmental law as we know it today," said Scott Jolliffe, Gowlings' National Managing Partner. "He brings a wealth of experience and wisdom to our national Environmental Practice Group. We are very proud of David and are honoured to celebrate this important milestone with him."

In honour of Mr. Estrin's contribution to environmental law, the National Environment, Energy and Resources Law Section of the Canadian Bar Association (CBA) is establishing an essay contest awarding the best law school student essay on an environmental, energy or natural resources law topic.

Mr. Estrin is certified by the Law Society of Upper Canada as a Specialist in Environmental Law and is ranked among the leaders in environmental law in surveys conducted by Euromoney's *Guide to the World's Leading Environmental Lawyers*.

During his career, Mr. Estrin has held various teaching positions training planners, engineers and environmental managers and members of Ottawa University's Faculty of Law. He has written numerous authoritative books and articles on environmental law and assisted in policy development and drafting of key environmental legislation, including the *Ontario Environmental Assessment Act* and *Ontario Environmental Bill of Rights*.

Mr. Estrin was a founding director and first General Counsel of the Canadian Environmental Law Association, the founding editor of *Canadian Environmental Law Reports*, and has played an active role with various environmental committees and organizations in Canada and the United States.

About Gowlings

Gowlings is a leading Canadian business law firm with over 700 professionals across offices in Montréal, Ottawa, Toronto, Hamilton, Waterloo Region, Calgary, Vancouver and Moscow. Characterized by national strength and regional focus, the Gowlings Environmental Law Group is recognized by Lexpert as a leader in Canada. The Firm is also a recognized leader in business law, intellectual property law and advocacy, offering expertise across a broad range of industries and in virtually every area of law. Gowlings provides end-to-end legal and consulting services to clients in Canada and around the world. www.gowlings.com.

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