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Civil Justice Foundation Honors Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts With a National Award for Service

The Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts (BIA-MA) was one of two organizations across the country to be honored by the Civil Justice Foundation with a “Years of Excellence” Award. The award was presented to Arlene Korab, Executive Director of BIA-MA, during the Foundation’s “Breakfast of Champions,” held in New York City in conjunction with the American Association for Justice’s (also known as the Association of Trial Lawyers) summer convention.

According to the Civil Justice Foundation, the “Years of Excellence” Award is presented to two organizations that have excelled in the fight for justice and safety for more than a decade. The Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts has been providing support, education, prevention and advocacy since 1982.

Previous recipients of this award include: Johns Hopkins Center for Injury Prevention, the Disabilities Rights Legal Center (Los Angeles), Kids in Danger (Chicago), and the Public Interest Law Center of Philadelphia.

“It is an outstanding honor for the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts to be recognized by the Civil Justice Foundation, a national organization whose members fight for each individual’s right to justice,” says Kenneth Kolpan, Esq., president of BIA-MA’s Board of Directors. “For three decades, the Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts has been advocating for persons with brain injury and was the first state in the country to win a class action settlement on behalf of survivors of brain injury.”

The Civil Justice Foundation is a national charitable organization dedicated to safeguarding justice for all Americans by strengthening the alliance between trial attorneys and consumer advocacy groups. The Foundation was founded in 1986 by members of the American Association for Justice and a group of consumer advocates who believed that all Americans – particularly working families, individual workers, and consumers – deserve unobstructed access to the civil justice system.

The Brain Injury Association of Massachusetts is a private, non-profit organization that provides support to survivors of brain injury and their families and serves as an advocate for their rights and needs. The association also offers programs to prevent brain injuries and educates the public on the risks and impact of brain injury on the family and society.

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