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**THE IOWA TAXPAYERS ASSOCIATION ANNOUNCES INAUGURAL  
RECIPIENT OF LINDA S. WEINDRUCH AWARD**

**HARRY M. GRIGER**

The Linda S. Weindruch award honors commitment to the principles of fair business taxation.

Inaugural Recipient, Harry M. Griger, will be presented with the Award at the ITA Annual Meeting on December 6th

**DES MOINES, IA – November 28, 2005** – The Iowa Taxpayers Association plans to present **Harry M. Griger** with the inaugural **Linda S. Weindruch Award** on **Tuesday, December 6<sup>th</sup>** in Des Moines.

**The Iowa Taxpayers Association offers this award in memory and in recognition of Linda S. Weindruch.** Ms. Weindruch was an active, long-time member of the Iowa Taxpayers Association. She was elected to serve on its Board of Directors in 1994, and served in that capacity for ten years. **“She was a tremendous friend of Iowa business and worked diligently to develop and shape legislative and regulatory policy that supported sound taxation principles,”** stated Iowa Taxpayers Association Board Chair Steve Evans.

**One of her most notable career achievements was her work involving the passage of the Iowa Taxpayers’ Procedural Bill of Rights.** As chair of the Iowa Bar Association’s Taxation Section, Linda worked with the Iowa Department of Revenue, the governor’s office, and members of the General Assembly for passage of the bill that legally recognized certain fundamental procedural rights to which all Iowa taxpayers are entitled. In 1994, she was presented the Iowa State Bar Association President’s Award in recognition for her work in its passage.

**The inaugural *Linda S. Weindruch Award* for 2005 will be presented to Iowa Special Assistant Attorney General, Harry M. Griger.**

Mr. Griger was employed by the Iowa Attorney General's Office for 34 years and has played a major role in key tax litigation and tax legislation throughout his career.

During his tenure at the AG's office, Harry argued several cases before the United States Supreme Court. One of great importance to Iowa companies was Moorman Manufacturing Company v. Bair. In this case, Harry argued for and ultimately protected the single sales factor apportionment here in Iowa. Harry was also instrumental in the drafting and explaining of the utility property replacement tax legislation.

Harry is widely known and well respected for his knowledge on both United States and State constitutional tax matters. The Iowa Department of Revenue, legislators, and taxpayers would often seek him out to gain the benefit of his expertise on a particular tax matter.

Harry is described by those who nominated him as intelligent, objective, hard-working, thorough, and fair. Throughout his career he has remained dedicated to solid, constitutional tax policy and has been a respected advocate for fairness under the law, for both the taxpayer and government alike.

Mr. Griger will be presented with the inaugural Linda S. Weindruch Award at the awards luncheon of the ITA Annual Meeting in Des Moines on December 6, 2005. Details below:

Iowa Taxpayers Association 70<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting  
December 6, 2005  
Hotel Fort Des Moines  
Des Moines, Iowa  
Luncheon begins at Noon.

The **Iowa Taxpayers Association** (ITA), Iowa's leading business tax policy resource, is a statewide non-partisan organization that focuses on developing and promoting fair, competitive, and accountable tax policy for business in the state. The organization was founded in 1935.