

**January 4, 2011** – The National Health Law Program (NHeLP) is pleased to announce that Marc Fleischaker, Chairman Emeritus of Washington DC-based Arent Fox LLP, has become the Chair of its Board of Directors. NHeLP is a not-for-profit law firm that works to secure health rights for those in need.

Fleischaker has extensive experience in the non-profit world. He has chaired the Appleseed Foundation, the National Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights Under Law, the Washington Lawyers Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs, and the Senior Lawyer Project of the D.C. Bar and the Access to Justice Commission. He has also participated in many other nonprofit activities, including serving on the board of directors for groups such as the D.C. Bar Foundation and the Council for Court Excellence. Fleischaker also holds membership in the Federal City Council, the Economic Club of Washington, and the American Society of Association Executives. He has published approximately 30 articles in legal and other periodicals, and has spoken extensively before bar and employer groups. He is listed in *Who's Who in the World*, *Who's Who in America*, *Who's Who in American Law*, and *Who's Who in the East*.

Fleischaker maintains an active legal practice in a number of areas, including trade association representation, environmental law, antitrust law, litigation, and civil rights law and chairs the Nonprofit Initiative at Arent Fox.

"We are thrilled and honored to have Marc lead our dynamic board of directors," said Emily Spitzer, Executive Director of NHeLP. "Marc shares NHeLP's commitment to low-income and underserved populations, and his leadership will be crucial as we continue implementation of the Affordable Care Act."

"I am delighted to assume chairmanship of NHeLP's board of directors," Fleischaker said. "NHeLP long ago proved itself a national leader in health care policy, and I look forward to working with this talented staff and board of directors on some of the most pressing issues that face us today."

Donn Ginoza, of California's Public Employment Relations Board, was the most recent Chair of NHeLP's board of directors, and he will continue on the board as the Vice-Chair. We are grateful for Donn's leadership, under which NHeLP continued to expand its staff and further develop its work on new and existing projects.

Founded more than 40 years ago, NHeLP seeks to improve health care for America's working and unemployed poor, minorities, the elderly and people with disabilities. NHeLP's primary areas of focus include health reform implementation and litigation, Medicaid and Medicare, reproductive rights, children's health, language access and health disparities.

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