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ATTORNEY GENERAL OF COLORADO JOINS WLF ADVISORY BOARD

The Washington Legal Foundation (WLF) and the Chairman of its Legal Policy Advisory Board, former U.S. Attorney General **Dick Thornburgh**, are pleased to announce that **The Honorable John W. Suthers**, Attorney General of the State of Colorado, has joined WLF's Board.

On January 4, 2005, General Suthers was appointed Attorney General of Colorado. After serving as Attorney General for nearly two years, in November 2006, the voters of Colorado elected General Suthers to serve a four-year term. Prior to his appointment as the state's chief law enforcement officer, General Suthers was United States Attorney for the District of Colorado, and prior to that was appointed by Governor Bill Owens as Executive Director of the Colorado Department of Corrections. General Suthers has also served as a District Attorney, practiced law with the firm Sparks Dix, P.C., and has authored five books, most recently *No Higher Calling, No Greater Responsibility: A Prosecutor Makes His Case* (Fulcrum Publishing, 2008). He authored a WLF LEGAL BACKGROUND, *State Attorneys General Must Be Mindful Of Separation Of Powers*, released on September 19, 2008.

"Attorney General Suthers understands that Americans' entrepreneurial spirit is something government must foster, not unduly burden. We are thrilled he has joined our Board," said WLF Chairman and General Counsel Daniel J. Popeo. "We look forward to drawing on his extensive experience as a prosecutor both at the state and federal levels in WLF's ongoing work on the use of criminal sanctions against commercial activity, as well as his healthy skepticism of the expansion of the powers of state attorneys general," Popeo added.

Attorney General Suthers joins four of his colleagues on WLF's Board, Attorney General of the State of Utah **Mark Shurtleff**; Attorney General of the State of Washington, **Rob McKenna**; Attorney General of the Commonwealth of Virginia, **Robert F. McDonnell**; and Attorney General of the State of Alabama, **Troy King**.

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