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**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**HD SUPPLY DIRECTOR OF LEGAL, LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW, SUSAN V. STUCKER, AWARDED PRESTIGIOUS FLORIDA BAR SERVICE AWARD**

*Stucker honored for donating more than 4,027 pro bono hours and assisting 80 children as a Guardian ad Litem.*

**ORLANDO, FLA. – February 3, 2009** – In recognition of her pro bono legal services in the Orlando community, Susan Voight Stucker, HD Supply's Director of Legal, Labor and Employment Law, received the Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award for the Ninth Judicial Circuit. This is Ms. Stucker's second time winning this prestigious award.

The Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award recognizes pro bono service in each of Florida's 20 judicial circuits and one Florida Bar member practicing outside the state of Florida at its January 29 ceremony at the Florida Supreme Court.

"We are extremely proud of the work Susan has done in Florida, providing legal services to those who may not have otherwise been able to secure legal representation," said Ricardo Nuñez, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Corporate Secretary for HD Supply. "Susan is a shining example of HD Supply's values as it relates to giving back to the communities in which we live and work. We are extremely grateful to have associates like Susan who utilize their resources and talents to improve the lives of those in need."

Ms. Stucker began her pro bono work as a mediator with the Florida Bar-sponsored Citizen Dispute Settlement Program. This work progressed into Ms. Stucker becoming a Guardian ad Litem, during which time she assisted 80 children in 42 cases. Ms. Stucker has donated more than 4,027 pro bono hours on closed cases. In her first four years alone as Guardian ad Litem, she accepted seven cases for 12 children amounting to more than 100 pro bono hours.

The Florida Bar President's Pro Bono Service Award, established in 1981, was designed to encourage lawyers to volunteer free legal services to the less fortunate by recognizing those who make public service commitments and to raise public awareness of the substantial volunteer services provided by Florida lawyers to those who cannot afford legal fees. Last year, Florida lawyers provided 1,489,099 hours of pro bono services to those in need and \$5,288,466 to legal aid organizations.

**About HD Supply**

HD Supply ([www.hdsupply.com](http://www.hdsupply.com)) is a leading wholesale distribution company, providing a broad range of products and services to professional customers in the infrastructure & energy, maintenance, repair & improvement and specialty construction markets. With a diverse portfolio of market-leading businesses, HD Supply is one of the largest diversified wholesale distributors in North America, with approximately 900 locations.

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