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Paul Hagen Elected Chairman of the ELI Board of Directors

December 13, 2005 - Washington, D.C. Beveridge & Diamond, P.C. is pleased to announce that Paul Hagen has been elected Chairman of the Board of Directors of the Environmental Law Institute (ELI). ELI is a leading independent, non-profit research and educational organization based in Washington, D.C. The Institute serves the environmental profession in business, government, the private bar, public interest organizations, academia, and the press.

"Beveridge & Diamond and ELI have enjoyed a long and collaborative relationship," said Henry Diamond. "We are delighted that Paul has been elected Chairman of the Board."

"Paul's energy and expertise in international environmental law will be a big asset to ELI as he becomes Chairman of our Board," said ELI President Leslie Carothers.

"ELI is a leader in promoting balanced and practical solutions to complex environmental problems," explained Hagen. "I look forward to working with ELI's Board, staff and many supporters in the business, non-profit, government and academic communities to ensure ELI's continued success."

Mr. Hagen leads the International Environmental Practice at Beveridge & Diamond, P.C. He was first elected to the ELI Board in 2002. He has been involved in ELI's work over many years and chairs ELI's Advanced International Environmental Law Course held annually in Washington, D.C. in conjunction with ALI-ABA.

Beveridge & Diamond, established in 1974, concentrates its practice in all aspects of environmental and land use law and litigation. The firm maintains offices on the East Coast and West Coast, and has recently opened an office in Austin, Texas. Among Beveridge & Diamond's current attorneys and alumni are the first Administrator of the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, the first Commissioner of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, two former EPA General Counsels, several former federal and state agency officials, and a former U.S. Attorney.

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