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Saul Ewing's Cooperman Selected for Leadership Maryland Class of 2003

Baltimore, February 26, 2003—Saul Ewing LLP partner and Annapolis resident Harriet E. Cooperman is among 50 accomplished statewide leaders selected for the Leadership Maryland Class of 2003. Leadership Maryland is an independent, educational, non-profit organization designed to inform top-level executives, from the public and private sectors, about the critical issues, challenges and opportunities facing the state of Maryland and its regions.

Over an eight-month period, Leadership Maryland participants attend a number of one- and two-day sessions focusing on issues, such as economic development, education, health and human services, criminal and juvenile justice, environment and multiculturalism. More than 100 experts representing business, government, education, and the non-profit community serve as panelists and guest speakers for the program.

Ms. Cooperman chairs Saul Ewing's Labor, Employment and Employee Benefits Practice Group, and focuses her practice on representing management in all aspects of labor and employment law and litigation for clients involved in manufacturing, service, wholesale, automobile, technology, financial services, entertainment and retail industries, as well as for public entities and non-profits. She has also taught labor law and employment discrimination law as an adjunct professor at the University of Baltimore School of Law.

Ms. Cooperman was recently appointed to a three-year term as a member of the Maryland State Higher Education Labor Relations Board. Among her professional and community activities, she is a member of the Board of Trustees for the University of Maryland Foundation and a member of the Board of Visitors of the University of Maryland School of Law. She is also a member of the Living Classrooms Board of Trustees. She has been named a "Best Lawyer" in Labor and Employment Law in *The Best Lawyers in America* every year since 1993. She also was selected as one of Maryland's Top 100 Women by the *Daily Record* in 1996, 2000 and 2002, and was inducted into its "Circle of Excellence." She has written and lectured extensively on diverse labor and employment issues. Ms. Cooperman is a graduate of Cornell University and the University of Maryland School of Law.

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