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THELEN FELLOW ADVANCES HEALTH AT LAW CENTER

Berkeley, California, June 26, 2008 — The East Bay Community Law Center (the Law Center) is pleased to announce a continuing partnership with the law firm of Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP (Thelen) for a Summer Fellowship, the third year of a three-year commitment from the firm to provide summer employment opportunities for talented students from University of California, Berkeley, School of Law (Berkeley Law) and to deliver free, high-quality legal services to underrepresented Bay Area clients.

The \$10,000 fellowship will both support Dyanna Quizon, a first-year student from BERKELEY LAW and provide support to the Law Center for clinical supervision. Ms. Quizon has demonstrated her commitment to social justice through previous involvement with the Asian Pacific Islander Legislative Caucus and with educational opportunity programs. As a THELEN Summer Fellow at THE LAW CENTER, Ms. Quizon will work under the direct supervision of an attorney in the Health practice group, which provides free legal assistance to low-income individuals living with HIV/AIDS in Alameda County, in substantive areas including housing, public benefits, health care access, and immigration. The Health practice group provides similar legal services to low-income children and families through its medical-legal partnership with Children's Hospital Oakland (the East Bay Medical-Legal Partnership).

All BERKELEY LAW summer applicants to THE LAW CENTER were considered for the THELEN fellowship. Preference was given to candidates who demonstrated through academic, employment and/or life experiences, a commitment to serving low-income, minority and underrepresented individuals and groups.

ABOUT THELEN. *Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP is an international law firm with approximately 550 attorneys and is widely known for its premier practices in the areas of Construction; Corporate/Finance; Technology, Media, and Communications; Energy; and Complex Litigation. Other premier practice areas of the firm include Real Estate, Labor and Employment, Intellectual Property, Bankruptcy, Domestic and International Tax, and Employee Benefits. For more information about Thelen, contact: Kevin Livingston, National Manager of Public Relations, klivingston@thelen.com, Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP, 101 Second Street, Suite 1800 | San Francisco, CA 94105-3606 tel: 415.369.7224 | fax: 415.369.8624 www.thelen.com*

ABOUT THE LAW CENTER. *The East Bay Community Law Center was founded in 1988 by students at the University of California, Berkeley, School of Law. Today, the Law Center is the East Bay's largest provider of free legal services and a nationally-recognized teaching clinic. With its motto "Justice through education and advocacy," each year more than 5,000 community members receive free legal advocacy from more than 100 students under the supervision of a dozen full-time staff attorneys. Law students come from Berkeley Law and from law schools around the country to train at the Law Center and provide assistance to clients in the areas of housing, health care, immigration, income, community reentry, and economic justice.*

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