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OPD'S KENNY GREEN NAMED 2014 CITYBUSINESS LEADER IN LAW

New Orleans, LA – The Orleans Public Defenders (OPD) are proud to announce our own Chief of Trials Kenny Green is the recipient of the 2014 *CityBusiness* Leader in Law. Green, the sole court-appointed honoree, is among 50 of New Orleans' top legal professionals recognized for moving the legal community forward with energy, innovative ideas, achievements and a commitment to excellence.

In November, Green marked his 30th year as a criminal defense attorney in New Orleans, the vast majority of that time spent in public defense, first as a part of the original Orleans Indigent Defense Program and now as an integral piece of the restructured OPD. "Kenny is courage incarnate, fighting for our clients and lawyers. Kenny has dedicated himself to make the practice of public defense in New Orleans one of the best in the country," said Chief Defender Derwyn Bunton. "His leadership and dedication is unparalleled and his advocacy for public defense is tireless both in the court and out."

Green leads a team of 50 attorneys representing nearly 30,000 court-appointed clients each year. Despite chronic underfunding, Green and the OPD staff continue working towards an efficient and just criminal justice system in New Orleans.

Now in its tenth year, Leadership in Law honors court-associated attorneys, in-house counsel and firmassociated attorneys. The 2014 class will be recognized March 24 at the New Orleans Museum of Art and will be featured in a special issue of *New Orleans CityBusiness*.

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