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**LEADERSHIP MARYLAND
SELECTS MAUREEN van STONE, ESQ., M.S.
FOR ITS 20TH ANNIVERSARY CLASS – THE CLASS OF 2012**

ANNAPOLIS, MD – Maureen van Stone, Esq., M.S., Director of Project HEAL, a medical-legal partnership between Maryland Volunteer Lawyers Service and Kennedy Krieger Institute, and the Associate Director of the Maryland Center for Developmental Disabilities, and a resident of Towson, has been selected for the Leadership Maryland Class of 2012, its 20th Anniversary Class. Founded in 1992, 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. Van Stone is one of 52 accomplished and talented statewide leaders selected to participate in the eight-month program.

Following a two-day opening retreat in April, participants will attend five two-day, and one one-day intense sessions focusing on issues, such as, economic development, education, health and human services, criminal and juvenile justice, environment, and multi-culturalism/diversity. More than 100 experts representing business, government, education, and the non-profit community will serve as panelists and guest speakers.

“The participants represent a broad spectrum of highly qualified executives from an extraordinary group of statewide applicants,” according to Nancy Minieri, founding president and CEO of Leadership Maryland. “After participating in a comprehensive range of experiences during this milestone anniversary year, these leaders will serve as important participants in the unified effort to shape Maryland’s future.” Leadership Maryland is one of 34 state leadership programs nationwide and has graduated over 900 statewide leaders.

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