2007 Award Recipient

Ernest S. Hayeck

Ernest Hayeck, after graduating with a law degree from Boston University in 1955, you became a judge in the trial courts of Worcester, commanding honor and respect. You were awarded the American Bar Association Franklin N. Flaschner Judicial Award in 1992 for excelling in the courtroom. As an experienced veteran of the board of directors of Wendy’s International Inc., you worked closely with Dave Thomas, the late Wendy's senior chairman, bringing the Wendy's franchise to your home state. Company spokesman Denny Lynch said you brought “a tremendous willingness to share your contacts and expertise in Massachusetts.” After you stepped in to help, 15 franchises opened in the commonwealth.

You were always known as a humble and respectful man who could be counted on when needed most. Your donations to Boston University help educate many gifted and talented students. For years, the National Judicial College has considered you one of its finest faculty members; you helped lay the groundwork for a national adoption and family issues program at the college. Through your experience and teaching, you work to give back and provide for those who need you.

Ernie Hayeck, we honor you with the Robert H. Goddard Award for Outstanding Professional Achievement for your commitment in the Massachusetts court system, your business ventures, and your work with young legal students.