



## Crigler Wins NFCB Bader Award



Portland, OR—The National Federation of Community Broadcasters (NFCB) will bestow the 2009 Bader Award upon Garvey Schubert Barer Owner and Communications Lawyer John Crigler during a luncheon on April 2, 2009 at its annual Community Radio Conference. The conference will take place at the Hilton Portland & Executive Tower, in Portland, Oregon, April 1-4, 2009.

The Bader Award is given to individuals or groups for a single stunning innovation or a lifetime of vital contributions to Community Radio.

Crigler was chosen by the Board of Directors of the NFCB in recognition of his extraordinary dedication and service to the NFCB and to all Community Radio, and for his unstinting advocacy on behalf of Community Radio before the FCC and other regulatory agencies.

He is the author of The NFCB's *Public Radio Legal Handbook*, and is a major contributor to other NFCB publications, including *The NFCB Guide to Underwriting*. He is a principal advisor to the NFCB on legal panels at the Community Radio Conference, and legal and regulatory issues facing NFCB

member stations. Crigler has also served on the NFCB Board of Directors for two terms and received the NFCB's 1993 Leadership Award.

“When NFCB members ask me a question that I can’t answer, I call John,” said Ginny Z. Berson, NFCB Vice President and Director of Federation Services. “When NFCB wants to get a sense of what the FCC might be up to, we call John. And when something is about to come down the pike, John calls us. He is an indispensable part of our ability to provide services to member stations.”

“For me, nothing could be more gratifying than an NFCB award that honors the memory of Mike Bader,” says Crigler.

“John Crigler has made such vital contributions to Community Radio and his level of commitment is truly unbelievable,” said Janis Lane-Ewart, chairperson of the NFCB Board of Directors. “It is an honor and privilege to have professionally benefitted from John’s work and I can’t imagine a more deserving person to receive the Bader Award.”

Crigler received a Ph.D. from Yale University in 1975 and a J.D. from Georgetown University Law Center in 1981. Since then he has worked with non-profit organizations and has practiced law in the fields of communications, television, radio, copyright, internet, and First Amendment Law.

The National Federation of Community Broadcasters is an alliance of stations, producers, and others committed to Community Radio. NFCB advocates for national public policy, funding, recognition, and resources on behalf of its membership, while providing services to empower and strengthen community broadcasters through the core values of localism, diversity and public service.