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The Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP Summer Fellowship at the East Bay Community Law Center

Berkeley, California, May 29, 2007 — The East Bay Community Law Center (EBCLC) is delighted to announce a continuing partnership with the law firm of Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP for a Summer Fellowship at EBCLC. This is the second-year of a three-year commitment from the firm to provide summer employment opportunities for talented students from UC Berkeley's Boalt Hall School of Law and to deliver free, high-quality legal services to underrepresented Bay Area clients.

The ten-week Fellowship runs from Tuesday, May 29, 2007 through Friday, August 3, 2007 and will support Maggie Shrout, a first-year student from Boalt Hall School of Law. Ms. Shrout has demonstrated her commitment to social justice through teaching in under-resourced school districts as well as volunteering in various legal clinics. Ms. Shrout will work under the direct supervision of an attorney in one of five practice areas at EBCLC – housing, income support, HIV & health, community re-entry, and economic justice. Ms. Shrout will receive a \$5,000 stipend made possible through a generous grant from Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP.

All Boalt summer applicants to EBCLC were considered for the 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.

Thelen Reid Brown Raysman & Steiner LLP is an international law firm with over 600 attorneys and offices in New York, San Francisco, Washington, DC, Los Angeles, Silicon Valley, Hartford, Northern New Jersey, Shanghai, and London. The firm was formed in 2006 through a merger between Thelen Reid & Priest LLP and Brown Raysman Millstein Felder & Steiner LLP with a combined history of over 80 years. The combination of these two organizations into a single Am Law 50 firm positions the firm to offer top-tier legal services in the capital markets through our finance practices in the areas of real estate, private equity, energy, infrastructure, and projects, as well as in the technology, media, communications, and intellectual property sectors. In addition, the firm's commercial litigation practice frequently handles cases related to antitrust, toxic tort, and class actions, as well as those involving technology, patents, intellectual property, construction, and employment law.

Since 1988 the East Bay Community Law Center has served as the community based component of Boalt Hall's clinical program. Today, EBCLC is the East Bay's largest provider of free legal services to the poor and a nationally-recognized teaching clinic. Each year more than 100 Boalt students train and practice at EBCLC under the supervision of a dozen full-time staff attorneys. EBCLC's work makes the lives of East Bay community members more healthy, secure, productive and hopeful.

For more information about the Fellowship at EBCLC, please contact EBCLC Executive Director Tirien Steinbach, (510) 548-4040, ext. 373.