

Sen. Howard Baker Jr. Photo Exhibit Shown in Atlanta

ATLANTA (March 5, 2010) -- Baker, Donelson, Bearman, Caldwell & Berkowitz, PC, is proud to present "Life Through the Lens" Photographs by Senator Howard H. Baker, Jr., a fascinating showcase of 50 large-format photographs at the Jimmy Carter Presidential Library & Museum. The exhibit will open Wednesday, March 17 with President Jimmy Carter and Sen. Baker discussing bipartisanship in the current political climate during a panel discussion before a privately-invited audience, after which they will tour together the photo exhibit in the museum. The exhibit is free to the public with paid admission to the museum, and runs through Sunday, June 27.

Senator Baker's adventures with a camera began at age 12 as a Boy Scout. His subjects are as fascinating as they are diverse. They encompass fellow members of Congress and many presidents; the heads of various foreign states; the broad range of people and places in Washington, D.C.; and the glorious, unspoiled natural vistas of his native state of Tennessee. Senator Baker's carefully composed images, whether examining a bird or flower or fixing a distant, misty landscape, underscore his mastery of the camera. Though he has often worked in black and white, he is, perhaps, most widely recognized for his rich color images. Senator Baker has remarked that ". . . photographs that appeal to me are straightforward and simple and direct," and that "photography . . . may be the only place where I can reasonably aspire to perfection." His photographs have been exhibited across the United States and in Japan, and he shared a joint photography exhibit with former Mississippi Governor Roy Mabus at the Mississippi Museum of Art in Jackson, Miss., in 2008, as well as a solo showing at the Hunter Museum of Art, Chattanooga, Tenn., in 2007. His work has appeared in Life magazine, National Geographic, and the books Howard Baker's Washington, Scott's Bluff and Big South Fork Country.

Senator Baker is of counsel at Baker, Donelson. During his 18 years in the U.S. Senate, Senator Baker served as both minority and majority leader. He served as President Ronald Reagan's Chief of Staff from 1987 to 1988 and as Ambassador to Japan under President George W. Bush from 2001 to 2005. He gained national recognition in 1973 as vice chairman of the Senate Watergate Committee. In addition he was a Republican candidate for the U. S. Presidency in 1980 and received the Presidential Medal of Freedom, the prestigious Jefferson Award for public service and the Grand Cordon of the Order of the Paulownia Flowers, Japan's highest honor for civilians.

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