



# The Foundation of the Federal Bar Association

*Judicial Research and Education Fund*

## JRAEF AT A GLANCE

The **Judicial Research and Education Fund (JRAEF)** supports research, programs, and education relating to the federal courts and federal jurisprudence. In 2005, the JRAEF will be offering a grant for up to \$10,000 for research pertaining to the federal judiciary. This ambitious project will be managed by a noteworthy committee of federal judges as well as a member of the Board of Directors of the Foundation of the Federal Bar Association and attorneys in both public and private practice.

**Financial Overview**  
**Fundraising Goal: \$250,000**  
**Current Assets: \$100,000**

The fund's previous grants include support for the Federal Bar Association's White Paper on Judicial Compensation as well an update to the original report. In 2001, with financial support from the Foundation, the Federal Bar Association and the American Bar Association collaborated on and issued *Federal Judicial Pay Erosion: A Report on the Need for Reform* because of a shared conviction that the salaries of federal judges had reached such levels of inadequacy that they threatened to impair the quality and independence of the Third Branch. Since the initial release of the report, the problem worsened. Due to their deep concern over the issues arising from a decade of salary neglect, the Federal Bar Association and the American Bar Association, again with support from the Judicial Research and Education Fund, issued an updated joint report to the original document in May 2003. The updated report, *Federal Judicial Pay: An Update on the Urgent Need for Action*, was presented by the presidents of the two associations, Kent S. Hofmeister and A.P. Carlton, to the Chief Justice of the United States, William H. Rehnquist, at a press conference at the U.S. Supreme Court on May 28, 2003. Since its presentation, the report has received unprecedented support from members of the federal judiciary as well as many of the nation's leading law firms. The report also received press coverage in both *The Washington Post* and *The Third Branch*.



**Chief Justice William H. Rehnquist speaks at the presentation of *Federal Judicial Pay: An Update on the Urgent Need for Action* at the U.S. Supreme Court on May 28, 2003. ABA President Alfred Carlton; the FBA's 2003 President Kent S. Hofmeister; and Associate Justices Stephen G. Breyer, David Hackett Souter, and Anthony M. Kennedy listen.**

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- Promote and support legal research and education;
- Advance the science of jurisprudence;
- Facilitate the administration of justice; and
- Foster improvements in the practice of federal law.

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