



# News Release

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## **FOUNDATION FOR THE NATIONAL ARCHIVES ELECTS NEW DIRECTORS FOR BOARD**

*David McKean and Henry M. Rivera Are Newest Board Members*

**Washington, DC--March 13, 2007**— The Foundation for the National Archives today announced that it has elected two new members to its board of directors: David McKean and Henry M. Rivera.

David McKean has spent most his career working in the Halls of Congress and writing well-received biographies about Washington figures. His 2004 book, *Tommy the Cork: Washington's Ultimate Insider From Roosevelt to Reagan* (Steerforth Press), is a full-length biography of Thomas G. Corcoran that was selected one of the *Washington Post Book World's* best books of 2004. The 1995 biography Mr. McKean co-authored, *Friends in High Places: The Rise and Fall of Clark Clifford* (Little, Brown and Co.), was listed as a notable book of the year by the *New York Times Book Review*.

Mr. McKean began his Capitol Hill career with former Congressman Joseph P. Kennedy, II for whom he served as Chief-of-Staff and Counsel. Mr. McKean has also worked for Senator John Kerry in many capacities, as Senior Advisor to Senator Kerry's 2004 election bid, Co-Chair of the Senator's transition team, and currently as the Senator's Chief of Staff. McKean received a Master of Arts degree in Law and Diplomacy from The Fletcher School of Law and Diplomacy, Tufts University; a Juris Doctor degree from Duke University School of Law; and a Bachelor of Arts degree from Harvard College.

Henry M. Rivera is an internationally recognized communications expert, author, speaker and conference leader in the communications field. A former Federal Communications Commission (FCC) Commissioner, Rivera is a partner with Wiley Rein LLP, where he represents a wide variety of clients before the FCC, Congress, the

National Telecommunications and Information Administration (NTIA) and the White House.

Mr. Rivera advises clients on developing strategies to increase their profiles with the FCC, Department of Commerce, and Congress and to assist with all aspects of FCC compliance, regulations and rulemaking. He has served on several national and international advisory and policy committees including the Committee on International Communications and Information Policy (U.S. Department of State), the INTELSAT Panel of Legal Experts, and the Federal Advisory Committee on Diversity in the Digital Age (FCC). He received a Juris Doctor degree from the University of New Mexico, School of Law; a Bachelor of Science/Bachelor of Arts degree in Accounting from the University of Albuquerque; and a Bachelor of Arts degree from the University of New Mexico.

“The Foundation for the National Archives is extremely pleased to have Henry and David join our board,” said Tom Wheeler, president of the Foundation for the National Archives. “Henry is a student of the civil war and a leader in the charitable community. As an author, David finds the National Archives a source of information for his own work. They each are keenly interested in promoting scholarship and advancing public awareness of the National Archives, and they share a demonstrated commitment to public private partnerships. We welcome them both.”

### **About the Foundation for the National Archives**

Created in 1992, the Foundation for the National Archives is an independent nonprofit organization committed to the mission of fostering public awareness of the importance of the National Archives as an essential resource in the American democracy. The Foundation serves as the private-sector partner of the National Archives in the creation of the *National Archives Experience*, a partnership for civic literacy which includes permanent exhibits, educational programs, traveling exhibits, special events and screenings, educational literature, and historical/records-related products and media. The Foundation supports these activities by generating financial and creative support from individuals, foundations and corporations who share a belief in the importance of innovative civics education.

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