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## **Ken Lore Becomes President of the Foundation for the National Archives**

**Washington, DC—February 2, 2009—** Kenneth Lore, Washington partner with law firm Bingham McCutchen, became president of the Foundation for the National Archives for a three-year term beginning January 2009.

The Foundation is an independent nonprofit that serves as the private-sector partner of the National Archives in the creation of the *National Archives Experience*, which includes permanent exhibits, educational programs, traveling exhibits, special events and screenings, educational literature, and historical/records-related products and media. The Foundation helps the public understand the importance of the holdings of the National Archives by presenting the depth and diversity of the records through award-winning, interactive educational exhibits and programs. It generates financial and creative support for the *National Archives Experience* from individuals, foundations, and corporations who share a belief in the importance of innovative civics education.

“We welcome Ken at a critical juncture for the Foundation,” said Thora Colot, Executive Director of the Foundation for the National Archives. “For the last six and a half years, under the leadership of past president Tom Wheeler, we have been developing award-winning exhibitions, visitor spaces, and educational resources of the National Archives in Washington, DC. Ken will help guide the Foundation as we shift our efforts toward reaching Americans across the nation, with traveling exhibitions, educational programs of the Boeing Learning Center, and the expansion of our interactive website.”

Lore became involved with the Foundation for the National Archives more than eight years ago. He said, “I have always been in love with history and the lessons it provides us. I am also a firm believer that access to public documents and transparency in

government generally is critical to public understanding of our rights and privileges afforded us under our Constitution and laws, the preservation of our democracy and our way of life. I think it is essential that we personally get involved in promoting activities and causes that we feel are important. The Foundation of the National Archives has provided an opportunity for me to do just that.”

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