

# Lifetime Achievers

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WHEN WE WENT LOOKING FOR OUR FIRST GROUP OF LIFETIME ACHIEVERS, WE HAD OUR EYE ON THE FUTURE. WE WANTED TO RECOGNIZE GREAT ACHIEVEMENT FOR ITS OWN SAKE. BUT MORE IMPORTANTLY, WE SOUGHT THOSE WHO COULD BE MODELS FOR YOUNG LAWYERS. WE WANTED DISTINGUISHED LAWYERS WHO HAD BUILT GREAT PRIVATE PRACTICES AND FIRMS, BUT ALSO MADE IMPORTANT CONTRIBUTIONS TO PUBLIC LIFE. AND WE WANTED A FEW FROM THE PUBLIC SECTOR WHO NOT ONLY FELT AN IRRESISTIBLE CALLING BUT PERFORMED PUBLIC SERVICE AT THE HIGHEST LEVEL. TO NARROW THE FIELD, WE LOOKED FOR LAWYERS WHO WERE STILL LIVING BUT WERE NEAR THE END OF THEIR CAREERS OR HAD RETIRED FROM THEIR FIRMS OR PRINCIPAL JOBS. OVER THE NEXT 20 PAGES, WE PRESENT THIS EXTRAORDINARY GROUP, MOST OF WHOM, HEALTH PERMITTING, CONTINUE TO CONTRIBUTE TO THE PRIVATE BAR AND THE PUBLIC GOOD. THESE ARE LAWYERS WHO GAVE MEANING TO THE PROFESSION'S VALUES, LAWYERS WHOSE CAREERS ARE A CHALLENGE TO THOSE WHO FOLLOW.

—PROFILES BY AMY VINCENT

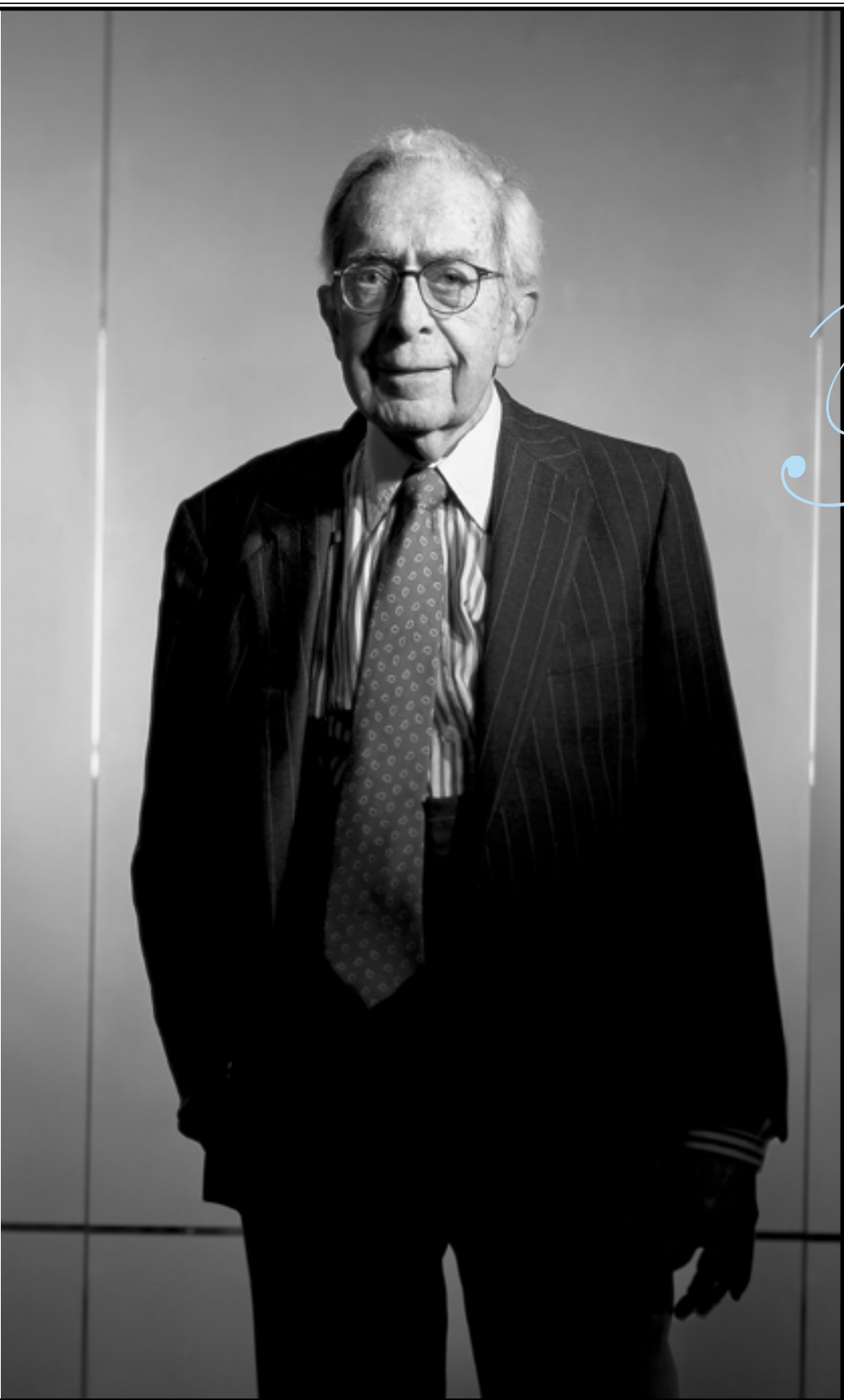
# John Pickering

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The first time John Pickering ever appeared in court to argue a case was at the U.S. Supreme Court. Only a few years out of school, the former clerk to Justice Frank Murphy was appointed to represent an indigent defendant. Murphy's beliefs in protecting the rights of the individual inspired Pickering to develop one of the most influential and diverse records in Supreme Court advocacy. He played a major role in cases that defined the limits on presidential authority (*Youngstown v. Sawyer*), checks and balances between the branches of government (*Powell v. McCormack*), civil rights (*NAACP v. Claiborne County, Mississippi*), and physician-assisted suicide (*Vacco v. Quill*). More recently, Pickering has been a leading legal mind in the right-to-die debate, an issue he has repeatedly taken back to where he started: the Supreme Court.



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## Lloyd Cutler

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To say that Lloyd Cutler is the only lawyer who has ever served as counsel to two presidents, Jimmy Carter and Bill Clinton, would be enough to describe a distinguished political and legal career. But it wouldn't be enough to describe the breadth and depth of Cutler's work, which has moved from firm practice to government and back again. As one of the founders of Wilmer Cutler Pickering, he helped create the ideal legal business: an elite and highly profitable practice that at the same time maintains an extraordinary dedication to pro bono. A generalist of the old school, Cutler has made his mark across the practice spectrum, from international arbitration to appellate advocacy, public policy, and constitutional law. Cutler was also a founder and cochairman of the Lawyers Committee on Civil Rights Under Law. In the political arena, his influence has been felt within the Democratic party for decades, and he served as a member of the President's Commission on Federal Ethics Law Reform in 1989 and as Carter's special counsel on ratification of the Salt II arms control treaty.

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