



## THE ROBERT A. ADES & ASSOCIATES, P.C. ATTORNEYS AT LAW

### LEGAL COUNSEL REPRESENTING THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND THE WASHINGTON, DC METROPOLITAN POLICE MEMORIAL PROJECT, INC.

**Robert A. Ades**

Established since 1978 and located at 1140 Connecticut Ave NW in Washington, DC; the Robert A. Ades & Associates, P.C. law firm has provided legal services to sports programs, players and union employees throughout the Washington, D.C. metropolitan area with a staff of thirty attorneys.

Born in New York City, Mr. Ades moved to Washington, D.C. in the early 1950s. He obtained his Bachelor of Arts Degree in 1969 and his Juris Doctorate Degree in 1973 from the University of Miami. He worked as an Assistant Public Defender in the 13<sup>th</sup> Judicial Circuit, Miami, Florida; an Assistant United States Attorney assigned to the Criminal Litigation Division, Washington, D.C.; and as an attorney in the private sector with Van Arkel & Kaiser before founding the law firm of Robert A. Ades & Associates.

Known to most as Rob, he was frequently seen with well-known sports figures such as Red Auerbach, Gary Williams, Jim Boeheim, Digger Phelps, Jeff Jones, Jimmy Patsos and Sherman Douglas — and many, many others. All were represented by Rob, and all were among his closest friends. Tony Kornheiser, longtime Post columnist and ESPN TV and radio host, was also represented by Ades. No one loved sports or the people in it more than Rob Ades.

But representing coaches and people in media was nothing more than a sideline for him — a hobby. In real life he was a union lawyer, representing United Food & Commercial Workers, Local 400; the Fraternal Order of Police, MPD Lodge No. One; the DC Firefighters, Local 36; the Washington Teachers Union, Local 6; the District of Columbia Employees, Comp Unites I & II; and the Washington, Building Trades Council.

His true passion however, was the D.C. police, not in contract negotiations but whenever one of them needed legal representation. Whenever there was a shooting involving a police officer in Washington, Rob was among the first to get a phone call and among the first on the scene. Cops called him when they were getting divorced, when they had money problems or when they needed someone to talk to about almost anything.

He befriended many police officers and when he heard about the Washington, D.C., Metropolitan Police Department Law Enforcement Memorial Project, Inc., he said, “I want to help and I will provide legal services at no cost.” The Board of Directors welcomed Rob with open arms and at Rob’s request he became a member of the Board of Directors.

Sadly, on Sunday, September 1, 2013, not long after becoming a member of the Board of Directors, Rob lost his battle with leukemia. In memory of Rob and as a tribute to Rob’s love of and relationship with the Metropolitan Police Department, the Associates of the Robert A. Ades law firm graciously agreed to continue their relationship with the Washington, D.C. Metropolitan Police Department Memorial Fund, Inc., to represent the Board and the project with legal services.