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**NCCJ to honor Dennis W. Quaintance with 2011 Citation Award  
Quaintance-Weaver CEO will accept recognition at dinner on November 3**

(Greensboro – May 18, 2011) – The National Conference for Community and Justice of the Piedmont Triad has selected Dennis W. Quaintance to receive the Brotherhood/Sisterhood Citation Award at the 2011 Citation Award Dinner on November 3 at the Koury Convention Center.

“We are so pleased to honor Dennis Quaintance, one of Guilford County’s most respected and progressive citizens, with the 2011 Citation Award,” said NCCJ Executive Director Susan Feit. “Dennis embodies NCCJ’s mission of building a world free of bias, bigotry and racism. He shows through his work that diversity, inclusion and fairness are not only a moral imperative, but also are good for the bottom line.”

Keenly aware of unfairness and discrimination since childhood, Quaintance has made it his duty to promote inclusion and diversity. As CEO at Quaintance-Weaver, Quaintance has built a business that places fairness, equity and inclusion as a top priority – and a diverse group of staff members who live those values as their own. For Quaintance, whose philosophy combines deep-seated conviction with pragmatism, leading with these values is not only the right thing, but the smart thing to do, as it makes his business stronger in many ways.

“This is an amazing honor not only for me, but for our whole organization,” Quaintance said. “I’m wildly supportive of NCCJ, whose work around diversity and inclusion is proactively addressing one of the most important issues of our generation.”

Each year, 1,000 of the Triad’s most influential citizens gather at the Citation Award Dinner, NCCJ’s largest fundraising program. In addition to spotlighting the myriad ways that NCCJ’s programs open eyes, widen horizons and change lives, the Citation Award Dinner also honors outstanding citizens like Quaintance who have made significant contributions toward creating a community free of bias, bigotry and racism. This year’s recipient will be honored at the 45th annual dinner, chaired by Tim and Carolyn Rice.

**ABOUT NCCJ**

NCCJ promotes understanding and respect among all races, religions and cultures through advocacy, education and dialogue. NCCJ works to transform communities through institutional change and by empowering leaders so that all people will have access to the nation's opportunities and be included in its promise. NCCJ of the Piedmont Triad Inc. was founded in 1937 as the Greensboro Chapter of the national organization. It became an independent 501(c)3 organization in 2005.

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