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Bruce Taylor is the President and Chief Counsel of the National Law Center for Children and Families.¹

He was most recently a Senior Trial Attorney for the Child Exploitation and Obscenity Section of the U.S. Department of Justice.² Mr. Taylor first served as a Prosecutor and Assistant Director of Law for the City of Cleveland, prosecuting several hundred obscenity cases and appeals, including an argument before the United States Supreme Court.³ For ten years, Mr. Taylor was then General Counsel to Citizens for Decency through Law, Inc., where he assisted prosecutors, police, and legislators nationwide in the enforcement, investigation, and improvement of laws against obscenity, child pornography and exploitation, and child sexual abuse.⁴ He also served as Assistant Attorney General of Arizona. Since 1973, he has prosecuted nearly 100 state and federal obscenity jury cases, as well as trials on prostitution, RICO, child pornography, and child sexual abuse, has written over 200 appeal and *amicus curiae* briefs, presented over 50 appellate arguments, and has represented public officials

¹ At NLC, he provides specialized prosecution and First Amendment advice and litigation assistance to federal, state, and local prosecutors, law enforcement officers, and legislators on obscenity, child pornography and sexual exploitation, as well as Internet and broadcast communications law issues. He has filed numerous *amicus* briefs in the U.S. Supreme Court, as well as federal and state appellate and trial courts across the Country. He has also been legal advisor to Senate and House sponsors of Internet, obscenity, and child exploitation bills and is *Counsel of Record* on BRIEFS FOR MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AS AMICI CURIAE in support of the Communications Decency Act (CDA) in *ACLU v. Reno* (E.D. Pa. 1 996), *Shea v. Reno* (S.D.N.Y. 1 996), and *Reno v. ACLU*, 521 U.S. 844 (1 997), and for the Child Online Protection Act (COPA) in *ACLU v. Reno* (E.D. Pa. 1 999) and (3d Cir. 1 999).

² While at DOJ, he was co-counsel in the following trials: *U.S. v. Reuben Sturman, et al.* (D. Nev.), a federal obscenity-racketeering-conspiracy case against the world's largest hard-core porn distributor; *U.S. v. Larry Lane Bateman* (D. N.H.), a child pornography case against a Phillips Exeter Academy drama teacher, and *U.S. v. Frederick Yazzi* (D. Ariz.), a multi-year child abuse case in Indian Country.

³ Before the Supreme Court, he argued *Larry Flynt v. Ohio*, 451 U.S. 619, in 1981. He successfully defended the Ohio obscenity statute before the Ohio Supreme Court in *State of Ohio v. Burgun* (1978) and before the U.S. Court of Appeals in *U.S. v. Sovereign News Co.* and *Turoso v. Cleveland Municipal Court* (6th Cir. 1982), *cert. denied* 1982.

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