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**Swendseid Awarded Carlson Prize for Best Scholarly Article**



CHICAGO – John O. Swendseid accepted the National Association of Bond Lawyers (NABL) Carlson Prize at the 2008 Bond Attorneys’ Workshop (BAW) on Sept. 17, 2008.

The Carlson Prize is awarded to the author of the best scholarly article submitted for publication in *The Bond Lawyer: The Journal of the National Association of Bond Lawyers*® (TBL).

Swendseid’s dedication to monitoring the developments in patent law and his willingness to share his insights with his colleagues exemplifies NABL’s mission to promote the integrity of the municipal market by advancing the understanding of and compliance with the law affecting public finance.

The article *Patent Law for Bond Lawyers – Watch Out for Now* was published in the March 1, 2008 TBL issue and was adapted and updated from a presentation made at the 2007 Bond Attorneys’ Workshop. The article was a discussion of patented or “patent pending” tax strategies for tax-exempt bonds and certain other bond structures, and the potential implications it could have on bond lawyers and their clients. It also discussed legislations and proposed IRS regulations pending at that time.

Swendseid is a member in Swendseid & Stern and he also served on the NABL Board of Directors from 2004 to 2007.

John graduated (magna cum laude) from Gonzaga University in Spokane, Washington, in 1974, and earned his J.D. from the University of California, Berkeley in 1977.

The Carlson Prize was named in honor of Rita J. and Charles P. Carlson, and conceived by Glenn E. Floyd, Norman, Oklahoma.

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finance. A professional association incorporated in 1979, NABL has approximately 3,000 members and is headquartered in Chicago. For more information, visit [www.nabl.org](http://www.nabl.org).

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