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## Policy Briefing Luncheon

## "September 11: Legacy of a Tragedy"

Peter Murphy spent 20 years as counsel to the Marine Corps' commandant. "He has not known combat," notes an article in The Federal Lawyer, "But he has known terror. If Murphy's service is marked by steadfast commitment and continuity over the years, it was also marked by a single event: September 11." Murphy escaped through smoke and flames on Sept. 11, 2001, just minutes before his Pentagon office collapsed into the abyss. Miraculously, the Marine Corps colors that hung behind his desk also survived the terrorist attack, intact. That rescued flag flew above the Pentagon and traveled to Afghanistan and into space before being awarded to Mr. Murphy on his retirement as counsel in 2004. Join the Georgia Public Policy Foundation on Wednesday, Sept. 6, as Peter Murphy shares his perspective in "September 11: Legacy of a Tragedy."

Noon, Wednesday, September 6, 2006, Commerce Club

This luncheon is \$25 for members/guests, \$30 for non-members. Make reservations by mail with your check; MasterCard/Visa; e-mail reservations@gppf.org; call 404-256-4050 or fax this form to 404-256-9909. Reserve your seat by Tuesday, Sept. 5.

Peter M. Murphy was the General Counsel of the U.S. Marine Corps for 20 years before joining the Washington office of Holland and Knight as a partner. He practices in the area of national defense and provides wide-ranging advice to corporations and governments dealing with the Department of Defense.

Mr. Murphy, a member of the Defense Department's senior legal leadership group with the military department general counsels, was the civilian equivalent of a three-star general. During his Marine Corps tenure, he was the Corps' senior ethics advisor and gained extensive experience in handling complex investigations, sensitive personnel issues and environmental problems associated with worldwide military operations. As a front-line advocate for the Marine Corps with the U.S. Congress, he dealt with Members, drafting and shepherding critical legislation.

Mr. Murphy received his Bachelor's of Arts degree magna cum laude in history from Long Island University in 1972 and earned his J.D. from Saint John's University School of Law in 1974. He is admitted to practice before the New York and District of Columbia Bars.

## **LUNCHEON RESERVATIONS: September 11: Legacy of a Tragedy**

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