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## **CHARLES FOSTER HONORED WITH THE 2013 LEON JAWORSKI AWARD**

**Charles Foster**, co-chairman of **FosterQuan LLP**, today received the prestigious **2013 Leon Jaworski Award** from the **Houston Bar Association Auxiliary**. The award annually recognizes a lawyer who has shown exemplary service in the Greater Houston Area, and whose efforts have benefited the city and its residents.

"I am humbled and honored by this wonderful recognition from my peers," said Foster. "Even as I reflect on what has been accomplished, I am most excited about the road ahead. I look forward to continuing my efforts locally and nationally in helping to shape an effective approach to comprehensive immigration law reform."

Foster currently leads the Greater Houston Partnership Task Force on Immigration Reform, a nationwide effort to secure sensible immigration reform legislation that meets the needs of the business community, families and our nation's economy. He is the founding chair of the State Bar of Texas Immigration & Nationality Law Section. Additional community involvement includes serving as chairman of Americans for Immigration Reform, Honorary Consul-General for the Kingdom of Thailand in Houston and chair of The Asia Society's Texas Center. Foster has also served as a board member of the Greater Houston Partnership and a member of its Executive Committee, a member of the Executive Committee of the Houston International Festival, and a member of the board of directors of the American Immigration Lawyers Association, the International Institute of Education – Southern Region, Neighborhood Centers, Inc., InterFaith Ministries and the Houston Ballet.

A recognized expert in U.S. immigration law, Foster has more than thirty years of experience representing and advising multinational companies. Foster has served as a senior policy advisor to both President George W. Bush and President Barack Obama during their presidential campaigns. Among his numerous honors, Foster has received the 1997 Houston International Service Award by the Houston Jaycees and Consular Corps, the 2000 Friend of China Award, and the ADL's 2006 Milton H. Popkin Award for Distinguished Community Service. His dedication and conviction as an immigration lawyer was portrayed in the 2010 film *Mao's Last Dancer*, which is based on the true story of famed Houston Ballet dancer Li Cuxin.