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## SCDCA INVESTIGATOR RECEIVES TOP HONOR

**Columbia, SC....** On December 4, 2009, Bill Kadlowec received the Strom Thurmond Award for Excellence in Law Enforcement presented by the United State Attorney for the District of South Carolina. The ceremony, held at the Fort Jackson Officer's Club recognized the achievements of four award recipients for outstanding service in city, county, state, and federal law enforcement.

Mr. Kadlowec, Chief Investigator for the South Carolina Department of Consumer Affairs (SCDCA), received the award for contributions on the state level in odometer and vehicle fraud enforcement and various criminal investigations. "I am extremely honored and humbled by this award. It's a privilege to be part of the law enforcement profession in South Carolina and our excellent working relationship with the U.S. Attorney's Office for the District of South Carolina," said Kadlowec. Other award recipients this year included Special Agent Michael Stansbury (Federal Bureau of Investigation), Chief Dennis K. Tyndall (West Columbia Police Department), and Sheriff James R. Metts (Lexington County Sheriff's Department).

"We are pleased to see Bill's hard work over many years be so deservingly recognized. Bill has been a vital team player here at the Department and continues to be an exemplary advocate for the communities and people of South Carolina," said SCDCA Administrator Brandolyn Thomas Pinkston.

Since 1977, Mr. Kadlowec has been working for the Department of Consumer Affairs. In 2002, Mr. Kadlowec was recognized with the Lance Thomas Achievement Award from the National Odometer and Title Fraud Enforcement Association where he also serves on the Board of Directors.

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