

## Fred Klein Named 2009 MS Corporate Achiever

HARTFORD, Conn. – The National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Connecticut Chapter has named Fred Klein, partner, Pullman and Comley, L.L.C., a 2009 MS Corporate Achiever – one of only 20 business leaders to be named statewide.

A resident of Marlborough, Klein is chair of the Hartford-based Pullman and Comley's Energy and Utilities practice group. His practice includes representing regulated and unregulated companies before state and federal regulatory commissions, district and appellate courts, as well as representing clients in complex infrastructure-related issues.

Previously, Klein worked for 20 years in the legal department of Northeast Utilities, where he served as assistant general counsel for 12 years. Prior, he was in private practice in Washington, D.C., also serving in the Office of General Counsel at the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. Klein received his Bachelor of Science degree in power systems engineering from Northeastern University in Boston and his Juris Doctorate degree from Boston College Law School.

"Supporting the fight against MS is a worthy undertaking," said Klein. "I am hopeful, that with increased funding, we can move research forward toward better treatments – and ultimately a cure."

Established by the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Connecticut Chapter in 2000, MS Corporate Achievers is a recognition program honoring some of Connecticut's most influential leaders while at the same time raising critically needed funds to ensure ongoing scientific research and provide for the continuation of vital programs and services offered by the chapter to the more than 6,000 Connecticut residents diagnosed with MS. Honorees are nominated by their peers and selected by an advisory council for outstanding contributions to business, civic and cultural enrichment. Through participation, honorees join an elite leadership network sharing a commitment to making Connecticut a better place in which to live. Since 2000, honorees have raised more than \$600,000 to help end the devastating effects of multiple sclerosis.

Klein is president of the Connecticut Power and Energy Society and is active in the Northeast Energy and Commerce Association. Among many other professional affiliations, he is a board member of the Northeast Chapter of the Energy Bar Association (EBA) and is former chairman of the Charitable Foundation of the Northeast Chapter of the EBA. Klein has been actively involved with the Boy Scouts of America and is the past director of the Connecticut Better Business Bureau.

"Mr. Klein is truly an effective leader," said Lisa Gerrol, Connecticut Chapter president. "He is committed to raising funds in the fight against MS and devoted to elevating life throughout the region, his hometown of Marlborough and even the state."

For more information on the MS Corporate Achievers program or to nominate a candidate for MS Corporate Achiever, please call 860-913-2550. To learn more about MS, its effects and the many ways the National MS Society, Connecticut Chapter assists those with MS, please visit [www.ctfightsMS.org](http://www.ctfightsMS.org).

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