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## Wendy Larry Begins Term as 18th National President Of The WBCA

ATLANTA, Ga. (June 24, 2003) -- Old Dominion University head women's basketball coach, Wendy Larry, will officially begin her term as the 18th President of the Women's Basketball Coaches Association (WBCA) on September 1, 2003. In accordance with WBCA organizational by-laws, Larry automatically acquired this position after serving a two-year term as vice president. As president, Larry is primarily responsible for supervising board members as the principal elected officer of the board.

Larry has been at the helm of the Old Dominion women's basketball program guiding the Lady Monarchs through unprecedented acclaim and accomplishment over the last 30 years, both as a coach and player. Considered one of the elite in the world of women's basketball, she has built championship caliber teams year-in and year-out and supplied further prestige and fame to what is the Lady Monarch women's basketball dynasty.

Larry's achievements have not gone without recognition. She has been the recipient of eight Coach of the Year awards from three different leagues and has been recognized on the national level, with WBCA Region III, RCA, Sporting News, and United States Women's Basketball Writers Association (USBWA) Coach of the Year accolades. Additionally, she has been named the Woman of the Year by the Outstanding Professional Women of Hampton Roads.

Larry, who is 428-155 in her career, now has 14, 20+ wins per season under her belt and has taken her team to the NCAA Women's Tournament 15 times.

"We are thrilled to have Wendy as our 18th National President," said WBCA CEO, Beth Bass. "She is a dynamic leader, who will bring an abundance of enthusiasm, which will serve as a great asset to the WBCA and women's basketball."

"I am truly honored to continue to serve the WBCA and the game that has created so much opportunity for me," stated Larry. "I commend my predecessors and look forward to carrying out the vision and legacy of this organization."

Founded in 1981, the 5,000-member WBCA promotes women's basketball by unifying coaches at all levels to develop a reputable identity for the sport and to foster the development of the game in all of its aspects as an amateur sport for women and girls.

