



## Hall of Fame Inductees

### Robert L. Mercadante

is being inducted into the Defense Logistics Agency Troop Support Hall of Fame this thirtieth day of November for his outstanding mission support from 1963 through 2007. Throughout his illustrious 44-year career with the Defense Logistics Agency, he has made many contributions that have had a lasting, positive impact on Troop Support's business practices. Mr. Mercadante provided outstanding customer service by furnishing indispensable legal advice through critical times of transition and by defending vital agency programs. He was renowned for applying his sharp legal skills and vast knowledge to guide his clients. Significant issues he engaged in included: transition to the use of electronic contracting, the first industrial prime vendor program, commercial terms and conditions, and long-term best value contracts. In addition, Mr. Mercadante's passion and talent for contract law particularly showcased itself in his extremely high success rate in defending protests. Mr. Mercadante constantly mentored and trained countless new attorneys and assisted many colleagues. His lasting, positive impact and outstanding customer service exemplify excellence and he is profoundly worthy of the DLA Troop Support Hall of Fame. In the words of a former colleague, Mr. Mercadante's work is the "gold standard for DLA procurement attorneys."