

## Coats for Veterans 2012

Tully Rinckey PLLC is continuing its efforts to honor and assist the defenders of our freedom this holiday season by donating warm winter coats to local homeless veterans. The veteran-owned law firm will donate Carhartt coats to the Albany Housing Coalition's Vet House, a transitional home for veterans that has assisted hundreds of veterans since its establishment in 1990. Albany Mayor Jerry Jennings will be in attendance to honor the veterans as Tully Rinckey PLLC Managing Partner Greg T. Rinckey presents a donation of 15 weather-resistant Carhartt coats to Albany Housing Coalition's Director of Veterans' Services, Glenn Read. The coats will be presented at the Albany Housing Coalition's Vet House at 11:45 a.m. on Friday, Dec. 21 at 180 First St. in Albany. According to a new U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development report

, 62,619 veterans nationwide were homeless on a single night in January 2012. Roughly one in seven, or 13 percent, of homeless adults nationwide were veterans. "We will never forget the sacrifices veterans have made in their service to our country. We are thankful for their service and want to make sure they keep warm during the holidays," said Mr. Rinckey, an Army veteran. "Many of our veterans come to Vet House come with little more than the shirts on their back. And unfortunately many of them lack warm clothing for this time of year. We are grateful for the generous donation from Tully Rinckey. Thanks to their efforts, our veterans will stay warm and be protected from the harsh weather," said Mr. Read. "Tully Rinckey is committed to serving the needs of our less fortunate veterans and the Albany Housing Coalition is very proud of our partnership with them." Tully Rinckey PLLC has a history of giving back to veterans in the Capital Region. For Thanksgiving, the firm donated over 100 turkeys to Capital Region veterans for its "Turkeys for Veterans" campaign. The firm has been hosting this event annually since 2009 and has been providing local homeless veterans with warm winter coats since 2010. The Carhartt coats – adorned with a red ribbon – will go to the emergency shelter at the Vet House. "Not all gifts are wrapped up with a bow. These veterans gave us the gift of freedom, and we can't forget the sacrifices that they have made to give us that gift," said Mr. Rinckey. Tully Rinckey PLLC is a full-service law firm with offices in Albany, Syracuse, Washington, D.C. and Arlington, Va. The firm employs 43 attorneys, 19 percent of whom are veterans of the Army, Marine Corps, Coast Guard, and Navy or are currently serving in the Army and National Guard Reserve. The firm's founding partner, Mathew B. Tully, is a lieutenant colonel in the New York Army National Guard who recently received a Purple Heart while serving in Afghanistan. As a civilian attorney, he has won numerous landmark decisions protecting veterans' rights. Managing Partner Greg T. Rinckey is a former Army JAG who currently represents service members worldwide in a variety of military law issues. Tully Rinckey PLLC is one of the Capital Region's largest full-service firms with attorneys practicing divorce, child custody, bankruptcy, estate planning, real estate law, civil litigation, criminal defense, and employment law.