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The National Consumer Law Center (NCLC) is proud to honor Oklahoma attorneys David Humphreys and Luke Wallace with the 2017 Vern Countryman Consumer Law Award, named after one of our founding trustees. The Countryman Award is presented each year to a legal services or other public interest attorney whose special contributions to the practice of consumer law have strengthened and affirmed the rights of low-income Americans.

Humphreys and Wallace have a long-standing partnership based on a mutual dedication to consumer justice. They are true “Consumer Protection Lawyers Fighting for the Forgotten,” taking on cases that often draw national attention and hold great importance to the American consumer. Participating in dozens of consumer protection jury trials and settlements, both work diligently to understand and explain their client’s stories to illuminate the truth and secure justice.

David Humphreys has practiced law since 1987, focusing in areas including preventing collection abuse, predatory mortgage servicing, and representing the mentally challenged or otherwise vulnerable people who have been plagued by debt. David often provides pro bono representation in cases across the country, and is a proud National Association of Consumer Advocates (NACA) member and NCLC supporter.

Luke Wallace is an accomplished lawyer who enjoys teaching other lawyers in the areas of trial practice and consumer law. He has tried countless consumer protection jury trials with verdicts for consumer fraud, FDCPA, collection abuse, predatory lending, auto fraud, and identity theft, resulting in millions of dollars in recovery for his clients. He speaks regularly about his work on local, state, and national stages.

The partnership of Humphreys and Wallace has resulted in numerous honors and awards, including the National Association of Consumer Advocates’ Trial Advocates of the Year Award in 2002, and the
Gerry Spence Trial Lawyers College Co-Warriors of the Year award for the 18-state South Central region of the country in 2004. Both have been named as an Oklahoma “Super Lawyer.”

Congratulations to both Mr. Wallace and Mr. Humphreys for their long track record of success for low-income and other consumers. NCLC is pleased to honor them with the 2017 Vern Countryman Consumer Law Award.