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AARON, a lifelong Philadelphia resident and trial lawyer for forty years, died on March 20, 2012. Aaron received his undergraduate and law degrees from the University of Pennsylvania. Most of his professional life was spent as a partner at the law firm of Litvin, Blumberg, Matusow and Young in Philadelphia, where he represented numerous victims of catastrophic injury. Aaron was active with the Philadelphia Bar Association. He served on the Bar Association Board of Governors, as Assistant Treasurer (1987-1989) and Treasurer (1990, 1991, 1992). He also served continually from 1987 to the recent past on both the Professional Guidance and Professional Responsibility Committees. Among other efforts, he headed the committee entitled "The Rest of Your Life," dedicated to helping lawyers enhance the non-professional parts of their lives.

Aaron was devoted to preserving the environment and to animal welfare, including endangered species. He contributed pro bono work for the Audubon Society and the Delaware River Keeper Network, dedicated to protecting the environment of the Delaware River. His passion for animal welfare extended to his becoming a docent at and supporter of the Philadelphia Zoo. Aaron was on the board of the Friends of the Southern Ocean County Animal Shelter. He was certified by Therapy Dog to work with his beloved dog, Marley, in elementary schools and cancer centers and helped train others. After Hurricane Katrina, Aaron traveled to work in New Orleans and worked in animal rescue. Until his recent illness, Aaron was a rower at the University Barge Club.

He cherished his time at his other home in Barnegat Light, NJ, where he served for many years as an active volunteer fireman and as an officer on the Barnegat Light Taxpayers Association. He loved spending free time sailing.

Aaron is survived by his beloved wife of 44 years, Patricia Robinson Blumberg, his nephews, Adam Blumberg (Heather) and Michael Blumberg (Melanie), a brother, Daniel Blumberg (Barbara) and several loving great-nieces, as well as many dear friends. A memorial service will be scheduled sometime in the future. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Philadelphia Zoo or the Barnegat Light Volunteer Fire Company.