

**Summary of MALDEF Press Release: AZ Gov Babbitt to Speak at MALDEF  
Dinner**

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MALDEF honors five Denverites at first annual Awards Dinner on 10/26/83

Manuel J. Sonalo, Director for MALDEF in Denver

AZ Governor Bruce Babbitt is guest speaker: graduate of Harvard Law School, Chairman of the Southwest Border Region Council

Honorary Chairman of the dinner is Federico Pena – he's on the Advisory Committee for MALDEF's Leadership Development Program in Denver; in past years he worked with MALDEF as an attorney

Dinner honorees: Louis Esquivel, owner, Princess Pat Flower Shop; Ignacio Bernal, freshman at CO School of Mines; Beatriz Martinez Kinnison, Director of the Bilingual Education Staff Training Project at Community College of Denver; Alfredo E. Pena, attorney; George M. Sandoval, VP and General Mgr of KDVR-TV in Denver

MALDEF based in San Francisco; employs a national staff of 50. Joaquin G. Avila, MALDEF President and General Counsel, Yale College and Harvard Law School graduate