

**Business Women's Network to Honor Geneviève Clavreul at the Leader's
Summit in Washington DC, October 15 - 17.**

PRESS RELEASE

Washington, DC – The Business Women's Network (BWN) will honor Genevieve Clavreul, RN, Ph.D. with a Special Award as one of the International Entrepreneurs of the Year on October 16, 2000, at the organization's 7th Annual Leaders Summit. Dr. Clavreul is being honored for 18 years of innovative work and activism in the HIV/AIDS arena.

The Business Women's Network aggressively strives to build upon an umbrella of support for women in business nationally and internationally, and is part of the Working Woman Network of properties, which also includes *Working Woman* and *Working Mother* magazines, the National Association for Female Executives (NAFE), WorkingWoman.com and the soon-to-launch Women's Business Exchange.

Dr. Clavreul has been in the forefront of the HIV/AIDS crisis. Her work began as a behind the scenes negotiator between Dr. Gallo and Professor Montagnier in the dispute as to who discovered the HIV virus. She published one of the first psychosocial papers on the impact of HIV/AIDS. She was an original member of ACT-UP, Los Angeles and has continued her involvement in grassroots activism, as well as often being called upon to provide expert testimony. She has focused her recent efforts in developing new and different models of bringing HIV/AIDS drugs, as well as other drugs to treat chronic illness, to market. She has advocated from the beginning of the AIDS crisis that it would take an international involvement to find an effective treatment for this devastating disease.

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By developing a strong network of collaborators from diverse fields and disciplines, she hopes to herald a new way of bringing critical, and much needed drugs to the world market.

“I am deeply honored that the Business Women’s Network has presented me with this award. The Business Women’s Network’s vision of globalization and recognition of women in international business makes the Summit the perfect forum to be a catalyst in developing just such a model,” stated Dr. Clavreul.

Geneviève M. Clavreul was born in Paris, France. She immigrated to the United States in 1959. She received her degrees in Nursing, Psychology, and Education from Georgia State University. She received her Master in Public Administration from California State University, Bakersfield and her Doctorate in Management from Beverly Hills University, Los Angeles. She is presently a partner and the Senior Vice President of Scientific Research and Development for the V 2000 Corporation.

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