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### **Ted Koppel to Keynote Economic Summit and Annual Meeting**

On July 13, Ted Koppel, veteran journalist and a former anchor of Nightline, will deliver the keynote address during the Kentucky Chamber of Commerce's fifth annual Economic Summit and Annual Meeting, presented by Greenebaum Doll & McDonald PLLC.

"For more than 45 years, Ted Koppel has captivated listeners with his insights and stories from across the world," said Kentucky Chamber President and CEO Dave Adkisson. "We are pleased that Koppel will offer his observations on what looms on the political horizon during one of the largest gatherings of business leaders and elected officials of the year."

Koppel's career spans political campaigns from Goldwater and Johnson in 1964 to McCain and Obama in 2008. He covered the Reverend Martin Luther King Jr.'s march from Selma to Montgomery, Ala.; he was in Cape Town when Nelson Mandela was released from prison; and he was in Denver when Barack Obama was nominated for the presidency of the United States. During his 43 years at ABC, Koppel reported on more than 10 wars, most recently the war in Iraq where he was an embedded correspondent with the U.S. Army. Since leaving ABC in 2005, Koppel has been a contributing columnist for *The New York Times*, a senior news analyst for National Public Radio, a contributing analyst for the BBC and a managing editor for the Discovery Channel.

Koppel's speech will bring to a close the two-day Economic Summit and Annual Meeting, held at the Louisville Marriott Downtown. Now in its fifth year, the Kentucky Chamber's signature event has brought to the stage journalists and political analysts such as James Carville, Mary Matalin, Tucker Carlson, Donna Brazile, George Will, and the late Tim Russert.

Beginning on July 12, the Economic Summit and Annual Meeting will provide an opportunity for business and community leaders throughout the Commonwealth to discuss issues related to the local, national and international economies. The event will feature both regionally and nationally recognized speakers who will delve into topics relating to the Kentucky Chamber's 5 Goals to Transform Kentucky – improving education attainment; modernizing Kentucky's government; creating a healthier Kentucky; improving Kentucky's standing in the global market; and making the state a national leader in energy.

Visit [www.kychamber.com/economicsummit](http://www.kychamber.com/economicsummit) for more details on the event.

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