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Image problem

Judge William Webster is retiring with pride from the CIA, walking away with the agency's highest award, the Distinguished Intelligence Medal. Perhaps his next stop should be Rochester Institute of Technology, where he could explain why he considers his CIA tenure not only a great adventure but also a service to his country. RIT has just hired the nation's largest public relations firm, Hill and Knowlton, to help brighten its image in the midst of a controversy over the school's ties to the CIA.

RIT has experienced image problems over its CIA links since school President M. Richard Rose disclosed earlier this year that he was spending a 3½-month sabbatical at the agency's headquarters in Langley. Subsequent media reports said the school had extensive ties to the agency and questioned whether the CIA had, horrors, influenced the curriculum.