



National Conference of Women's Bar Associations

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The National Conference of Women's Bar Associations

is now accepting nominations for the

2012 Annual Public Service and Outstanding Member Program Awards

The National Conference of Women's Bar Associations (NCWBA) will present the 2012 Public Service and Outstanding Member Program Awards during the ABA Annual Meeting in August 2012 in Chicago. The NCWBA's **Public Service Award**, first presented in 1985, traditionally recognizes deserving projects of women's bar associations that benefit women and children within the legal system. In 2008, the **Outstanding Member Program Award** was created to recognize innovative programs and services offered by women's bar associations which focus on providing training and other benefits to their members.

Nomination Forms must be received on or before **Friday, January 27, 2012**. Submissions received by that date will be kept on file for two years. Those not selected to receive the award in 2012 will be reconsidered in 2013.

About the Awards: The NCWBA, an affiliate of the American Bar Association, is an "association of associations," serving to focus the collective strength of women's bar groups and to provide one another with great ideas and encouragement for serving the public and our memberships. Each year the NCWBA selects one or more programs for each award for national recognition and celebration. It is a way to recognize the hard work and innovation of participants as well as a means for inspiring other women's bar groups to emulate and adapt successful programs in their own regions. Each award is commemorated with an engraved plaque.

For more information, contact Nicolette Zachary, NCWBA Awards Chair, at Ward, Anderson, Porritt & Bryant PLC, 4190 Telegraph Road, Suite 2300, Bloomfield Hills, MI 48302; phone: (248) 593-1440

E-mail: awards@ncwba.org

NCWBA 2012 PUBLIC SERVICE AND OUTSTANDING MEMBER PROGRAM

APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

Nomination Form

Please complete the nomination form and submit it as the cover page of your nomination application.

Eligibility

Member organizations of NCWBA (whose dues are current or submitted with the application) may submit nominations. Projects co-sponsored with other organizations may be considered, although more weight is given to those carried out solely by a women's bar association or for which the women's bar association is the initiator or lead member.

Project Description

Include the year your association was established, a brief sketch of its growth and development, its major contributions to the legal community or community at large, and its current membership.

Narrative and Supporting Material

In one to three typed pages, describe the nominated project, giving sufficient details that another women's bar association wishing to do a similar project could use your description as an action outline. Please include historical information for the project, the number of women attorneys involved, and the project's impact or results. Copies of photographs, news clippings or other supporting documentation may be attached to the narrative.

Procedure for Submission

The nomination form, narrative and supporting materials should be submitted electronically for **receipt no later than Friday, January 27, 2012** to Awards Chair Nicolette Zachary at the address below:

Nicolette Zachary, NCWBA Awards Chair

E-mail: awards@ncwba.org

**NOMINATION FORM
2012 ANNUAL NCWBA PUBLIC SERVICE AND
OUTSTANDING MEMBER PROGRAM AWARDS**

Name of your organization's project:

**Please indicate whether your submission is for the Public Service Award or
Outstanding Member Program Award:**

Name of sponsoring women's bar association:

Name of Sponsoring Organization's contact person:

E-mail address:

Telephone No:

Number of members:

Name of contact person for purposes of award notification:

E-mail address:

Telephone No.

**PLEASE MAKE SURE TO NOTIFY THE NCWBA OF ANY CHANGE IN YOUR CONTACT
INFORMATION AFTER SUBMISSION OF YOUR AWARD APPLICATION TO ENSURE
YOU RECEIVE TIMELY NOTIFICATION REGARDING WHETHER YOU HAVE BEEN
SELECTED TO RECEIVE AN AWARD.**

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January 27, 2012: Awards Chair Nicolette Zachary, E-mail: awards@ncwba.org**

PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

2011 Public Service Award

"Domestic Violence Law Clinic," nominated by **Central New York Chapter of the Women's Bar Association of the State of New York**

"Power Lunch Program," nominated by **Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles**

2011 Outstanding Member Program Award

"Pipeline to Leadership" nominated by **Lawyers Club of San Diego**

"Fee Circles," nominated by **Women's Bar Association of Massachusetts**

"Annual Winter Break," nominated by **Women's Law Section, Maine State Bar Association**

2010 Public Service Award

"The Infinity Project," nominated by **Minnesota Women Lawyers**

"Legally Speaking," nominated by **Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys**

2010 Outstanding Member Program Award

"Young Lawyers Committee Mentoring Program," nominated by **Hillsborough Association of Women Lawyers**

"Hit the Ground Running: Practical Skills You Need to Succeed," nominated by **Women's Bar Association of the District of Columbia**

2009 Public Service Award

Hawaii Women Lawyers: "Mother's Day Program"

Montgomery County Women's Bar Foundation: "Preparing for Success"

Women Lawyers Section of the Birmingham Bar Association: "Children's Library for Family Court"

Honorable Mention: Prince George's County Chapter of the Women's Bar Association of Maryland: "Project for the Support and Mentorship of Female Juveniles at Thomas J. S. Waxter Children's Center"

2009 Outstanding Member Program Award

California Women Lawyers: "So, You Want to be a Judge?"

Georgia Association of Black Women Attorneys: "Professional Development Academy"

Women Lawyers Association of Los Angeles: "Joint Task Force on the Retention and Promotion of Women Lawyers"

Honorable Mentions

- **Lawyers Club of San Diego:** "Political Boot Camp"
- **Arizona Women Lawyers Association:** "Secrets of Success"
- **Tallahassee Women Lawyers:** Three-part Women's Professional Empowerment Series entitled "From the Courtroom to the Boardroom: Best Practices for Women to Excel"

For a complete listing of previous winners, go to www.ncwba.org