2013 Access to Justice Awards Dinner

Honoring extraordinary service in the public interest by individuals and organizations in northwest Ohio.

Access To Justice Awards

2013 Nomination Form

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Center for Equal Justice, 525 Jefferson Ave., Toledo OH 43604

Questions? Contact Patti Robb at ABLE: (419) 930-2517 or probb@ablelaw.org

Nominations due: Friday, February 1, 2013

Tuesday, April 30, 2013

Reception 6:00 p.m. (Cash Bar)
Dinner and Awards Ceremony 7:00 p.m.

The Pinnacle

1772 Indian Wood Circle • Maumee, Ohio
Tickets: $100 per person

Bryan Stevenson

Featured Speaker

Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc.

Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc.®

Toledo Bar Association

People are doing great things in northwest Ohio to support equal justice. Please help us recognize them for their hard work and commitment to helping others with an Access to Justice Award. Advocates for Basic Legal Equality, Inc. (ABLE), Legal Aid of Western Ohio, Inc. (LAWO), and the Toledo Bar Association (TBA) Pro Bono Legal Services Program want to publicly recognize extraordinary service in the public interest by attorneys and community leaders in northwest Ohio.

The awards will be presented at the Access to Justice Awards Dinner on Tuesday, April 30, 2013. Attendees include colleagues of individual recipients, as well as supporters of legal services in northwest Ohio. The Access to Justice Awards Steering Committee is looking for nominations for this year's awards.

If you need assistance in the award process or have questions, please contact ABLE Communications Director Patti Robb at (419) 930-2517 or probb@ablelaw.org. Nominations can be submitted by email or in hard copy format. Please review the award criteria and complete the nomination form along with a letter of nomination to be received no later than Friday, February 1, 2013. We look forward to adding the names of the 2013 honorees to this distinguished list:

Public Interest Law Award Recipients

1998	**Esteban R. Callejas**
1999	**Veronica M. Murphy** **Mark F. Prajsner**
2000	**Stephen M. Dane** **Cooper, Walinski, & Cramer**
2001	**William G. Meyer**
2002-03	**Terry J. Lodge** **Richard Mitchell**
2004	**Harland M. Britz** **Judge Joseph A. Flores**
2005	**Randall C. Dixon** **John A. Blaufuss** **Jack E. Gallon**
2006	**Cindy M. Vollar**
2007	**Robert S. Salem**
2008	**Gabrielle Davis**
2010	**Vincent M. Nathan**
2011	**Paul Belazis**
2012	**Thomas P. Goodwin** **Marathon Petroleum Corporation and the Findlay Hancock County Bar Association**

Community Advocacy Award Recipients

1998	**Rose M. Newton**
1999	**Alvina R. Costilla**
2000	**Rev. Chester Chambers**
2001	**Fair Housing Center of Toledo**
2002-03	**Lola Glover**
2004	**Defiance County Domestic Violence Task Force**
2005	**Lucas County Court Appointed Special Advocates (CASA)**
2006	**Shelley A. Papenfuse**
2007	**Betty Morais** **Zepf Community Mental Health Center**
2008	**Nellie D. Edwards**
2010	**Betty Amison-Lewis**
2011	**Billie Johnson** **Elizabeth Ruppert**
2012	**Margarita De Leon**

All nominees must reside in northwest Ohio and may not be employed by ABLE, LAWO, or the TBA Pro Bono Legal Services Program. If you have any questions regarding the nomination process, please contact ABLE Communications Director Patti Robb at 419-930-2517 or probb@ablelaw.org.

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Name of Nominee: _____ **Title/Position:** _____

Organization/Firm: _____

Nominee Phone: _____ **Nominee Fax:** _____

Your Name: _____ **Phone:** _____

Please complete this form, and submit a detailed letter describing how the nominee meets the criteria for the Public Interest Law Award or the Community Advocacy Award, accompanied by brief biographical information. Support materials can include resumes, newspaper or newsletter articles, videos, etc. Specific information about the nominee is more helpful than general comments.

Public Interest Law Award

Please note that representation over time and the pro bono nature of the work are considered when selecting this award recipient.

1. **Describe how the individual or firm you are nominating represents or has represented clients who are persons of color or have a disability, or are disadvantaged..**

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2. **Please describe how the individual or firm you are nominating has made a significant or lasting benefit to the clients represented.**

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3. **Describe the urgency, difficulty, or novelty, along with the impact of the work provided.**

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Community Advocacy Award

This award is intended to recognize advocacy and community organizing, rather than direct provision of human services.

1. **Describe the grass roots organizing, public education, or community advocacy performed by the individual or organization you are nominating.**

2. **How does this work benefit low-income, disadvantaged persons, or communities?**

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