



2015

Angelo T. Cometa Award

Call for Nominations

Sponsored by Committee on Lawyer Referral Service



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The New York State Bar Association Committee on Lawyer Referral Service is pleased to announce that nomination forms are being accepted for the ninth annual Angelo T. Cometa Award.

The Award was created to honor and recognize Angelo T. Cometa, who chaired the Committee on Lawyer Referral Service during the Lawyer Referral and Information Service's (LRIS) first year of operation. Mr. Cometa, who was a partner in the law firm Phillips Nizer Benjamin Krim & Ballon, served in many leadership positions within the NYSBA, including as its President in 1990. He has made numerous contributions to the legal community. In his role as LRS Committee Chair, Mr. Cometa was instrumental in establishing the LRIS and increasing public access to attorneys.

The LRIS is a public service of the New York State Bar Association. Among its goals are to serve the public by administering a coordinated lawyer referral and information system throughout New York State and to provide information to the public about community and legal services available, including local bar referral services, legal aid societies, legal service programs, public interest law organizations and other appropriate service providers throughout the State of New York.

Award Criteria:

The Award recognizes any individual or group in New York State demonstrating an extraordinary commitment toward advancing the goals of the Lawyer Referral and Information Service to assist the public in obtaining information about available legal services and providing referrals to private attorneys as needed. The ideal candidate is one who has demonstrated outstanding and long-term service in this regard. The honoree does not have to be an attorney or a group within the NYSBA.

Please provide a narrative of no more than 500 words describing the individual or group's efforts as they relate to the above criteria. Supporting materials, such as letters of reference and articles, may be submitted. Entries will be judged by the Committee on Lawyer Referral Service. No submissions will be returned.

Nomination Deadline:

Nominations will be accepted by the Committee on Lawyer Referral Service through February 20, 2015.

Date Award Presented:

The award will be presented on Friday evening March 27, 2015 at the House of Delegates dinner in Albany, NY.

**2015 Angelo T. Cometa Award
Nomination Form**

Please print or type your information then mail or fax to:

**NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
LAWYER REFERRAL SERVICE
One Elk Street, Albany, NY 12207
FAX (518) 487-5694**

Name of Person or Group Nominated: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

Nomination Submitted by: _____

Title: _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____ Fax: _____

Date: _____

For an online application go to:
www.NYSBA.org/CometaAward

Please provide a typewritten narrative on why you believe this person or group is deserving of the award:



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