

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION



# NYSBA

## Kay Crawford Murray Award

Call for Nominations  
2010



## CALL FOR NOMINATIONS

*The New York State Bar Association is pleased to announce that nominations are being accepted for the 2010 Kay Crawford Murray Award. In 2008, the Committee on Women in the Law created the Kay Crawford Murray Award in honor of the professional and personal commitment Ms. Murray has made to supporting and advancing the legal careers of women, particularly African American women attorneys. The award honors a member of the bar who recognizes the value of diversity in the legal profession and who has dedicated her or his time to advancing the professional development of women attorneys.*

**Kay Crawford Murray** received the New York State Bar Association's inaugural Kay Crawford Murray Award during the NYSBA's annual meeting in 2008. The award, which is presented by the NYSBA's Committee on Women in the Law, celebrates an individual who, in the spirit of Ms. Murray, recognizes the value of diversity in the legal profession and has committed to advancing the professional development of women attorneys. During the time Ms. Murray chaired the committee, she raised awareness of women's issues, spearheading a report that urged the Association to propose a model policy for childbirth and parenting as a guideline for law firms.

"Kay Crawford Murray has been an inspiration and mentor to many women, particularly young African-American women, because she took on the tough issues that were important to women, minorities and families at a time when few women of color even considered a career in the law," said Taa Grays, chair of the NYSBA's Committee on Women in the law.

When submitting nominations for this award and in the spirit of the diversity efforts of Kay Crawford Murray, everyone is encouraged to keep in mind the 2003 diversity policy of the Association: "Diversity is an inclusive concept, encompassing gender, race, color, ethnic origin, national origin, religion, sexual orientation, age and disability."

The Kay Crawford Murray Award will be presented at the Committee on Women in the Law Luncheon on Tuesday, January 26, 2010. To allow for adequate time for review, the nominations must be received by October 9, 2009. Please direct this information to the Committee on Women in the Law, New York State Bar Association, One Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207, or fax to 518-462-8527. Additional forms may be obtained from the Committee (518-487-5561).

*The award was developed and is administered by the Committee on Women in the Law. Future recipients will possess the following characteristics:*

- (1) a distinguished legal career or a rising star in the profession;
- (2) an active member of one or more bar associations for the purpose of advancing the professional and personal development of woman attorneys;
- (3) an active mentor to woman attorneys; and
- (4) a substantial contributor to increasing the value of diversity in the legal profession.

# NOMINATION FORM

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A resume or similar biographical material for the nominee should accompany this form. This nomination must be submitted by *October 9, 2009*.

**Committee on Women in the Law**  
New York State Bar Association  
One Elk Street, Albany, New York 12207

Nominee \_\_\_\_\_

Title or Position \_\_\_\_\_

Business Address \_\_\_\_\_

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Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

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#### **Nomination submitted by**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Affiliation \_\_\_\_\_

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