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Presented by The New York State Bar Association

To recognize distinguished service in the law. The Gold Medal is The New York State Bar Association’s highest honor. The Gold Medal is awarded each year to a lawyer “whose qualifications include outstanding legal accomplishments, an active interest in and positive influence upon the profession, and constructive contributions in civic and community matters.”

Recipient: Hon. Juanita Bing Newton
New York State Judge Juanita Bing Newton – a longtime advocate for improving the administration of justice will be awarded the State Bar’s Gold Medal.

The current Dean of the New York State Judicial Institute is widely regarded for her decade-long work in expanding statewide access to justice, including ensuring just compensation for assigned counsel in criminal matters, proving adequate funding for civil legal services, increasing opportunities for pro bono, heightening services for the self-represented and enhancing community outreach. Appointed to serve on sentencing commissions by three different Governors, Judge Newton is an acknowledged sentencing expert who was an early advocate for sentence reform especially in non-violent and drug cases.

Judge Newton is recognized for her outstanding judicial and administrative skills, having served as the administrative judge of two of New York’s largest courts, and for her advocacy for greater diversity in the legal profession, which includes her personal mentorship of women and minorities. Judge Newton is an original member of the court system’s Committee on Women in the Courts and Franklin H. Williams Judicial Commission on Minorities, was the chair of the NYCLA Committee to Increase Diversity in the Courts and a former member of the ABA Standing Committee on Legal Aid and Indigent Defense. Newton is a New York Bar Foundation Fellow.

Judge Newton has dedicated her nearly four decade career in the law to public service as a Bronx prosecutor, the director of a statewide sentencing commission, a court administrator and a judge. In her current assignment, she is responsible for the continuing education of the 1,200 state paid judges and nearly 3,000 attorneys who work for the courts.
The NYSBA Leadership Congratulates All of the 2015 Award Recipients!

Your dedication to the legal profession is to be commended and congratulated!

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WILLIAM T. LIFLAND AWARD
Presented by The Antitrust Law Section

Presented to antitrust practitioners in recognition of their contributions and accomplishments in the field of antitrust. The Award acknowledges those who throughout their professional careers have distinguished themselves as leading antitrust practitioners as well as serving the broader antitrust community in a leadership role.

Recipient: Bruce J. Prager, Esq.

THE DAVID CAPLAN AWARD FOR MERITORIOUS SERVICE
Presented by The Business Law Section

Given in honor of David Caplan, former Section member, Executive Committee member and Committee Chair, to recognize exemplary and long term service to the Business Law Section and its constituent members.

Recipient: Samuel F. Abernethy, Esq.

Samuel F. Abernethy is both a litigator and corporate lawyer, who concentrates in the financial services industry, particularly commodities, derivatives and securities. Mr. Abernethy’s practice has involved him in an in-depth way with markets and trading, especially in the futures and derivatives markets. Mr. Abernethy was a member of the New York State Bar Association Executive Committee and chaired several NYSBA Committees. He was a delegate of the NYSBA House of Delegates and is a Fellow of The New York Bar Foundation. Mr. Abernethy is currently a partner with Menaker & Herrmann, New York.
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Presented by The Commercial and Federal Litigation Section

Presented to a member of the legal profession who has significantly contributed to the practice of commercial law and litigation in New York. The award was created by the Commercial and Federal Litigation Section in honor of the late Chief Judge of the New York Court of Appeals, Stanley H. Fuld, to recognize outstanding contributions to the development of commercial law and jurisprudence in New York State.

Recipient: Chief Administrative Judge A. Gail Prudenti
The Honorable A. Gail Prudenti is the Chief Administrative Judge of the Courts of New York State as well as a New York State Supreme Court Justice. Judge Prudenti previously served as the Presiding Justice of the Appellate Division for the Second Judicial Department in New York State. She has also held the positions of Administrative Judge for the Tenth Judicial District and Surrogate of Suffolk County. Judge Prudenti earned her law degree from the University of Aberdeen, in Scotland, which also awarded her an honorary Doctorate of Laws in 2004, and made her an Honorary Professor of Law in 2014.

Peter V. Coffey

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Peter, thank you for all you do for our firm, for our local Bar Association and for the profession, most particularly your dedication to Legal Aid.

Congratulations on your Real Property Professionalism Award.

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NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION AWARD FOR ATTORNEY PROFESSIONALISM

Presented by The Committee on Attorney Professionalism

Honors an attorney for outstanding professionalism, which is defined as dedication to service to clients and a commitment to promoting respect for the legal system in pursuit of justice and the public good, characterized by exemplary ethical conduct, competence, good judgment, integrity and civility.

Recipient: Michelle L. Haskin, Esq.

Michelle is a shareholder at the firm of McNamee, Lochner, Titus & Williams, P.C., located in Albany, New York and practices exclusively in the field of matrimonial and family law. She is a graduate of Albany Law School and received her Bachelor’s degree from Syracuse University. Throughout her entire career, she has been actively involved with the New York State Bar Association and the Women’s Bar Association of the State of New York. She is also a longstanding member of the executive committee of the Family Law Section of the New York State Bar Association in addition to co-chairing its child custody committee. Michelle currently serves as co-chair of the matrimonial committee of the Women’s Bar Association of the State of New York, as well as having served as past President of the Capital District Women’s Bar Association. In addition to her full time practice, she has been involved with The Legal Project, Inc. since its inception, continuing to serve on its Honorary Committee; annual pro bono event Steering Committee; as well as serving on the Domestic Violence Legal Connection where she provides pro bono representation to victims of domestic violence.

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION
FAMILY LAW SECTION

The Officers and Executive Committee
of the Family Law Section
Congratulate Section Member,
Michelle L. Haskin
on receiving the
2015 Attorney Professionalism Award
HAYWOOD BURNS MEMORIAL AWARD
Presented by The Committee on Civil Rights

Given to honor the late civil rights lawyer and academic, Dean Haywood Burns, who, from the age of 15 until his untimely death at age 55 while visiting South Africa, was active in seeking to expand the civil rights of all people. He was a builder of bridges rather than walls, actively involved in trying to extend connections to diverse groups within the community as a whole.

Recipient: Glenn D. Magpantay, Esq.

Mr. Magpantay is a lawyer at the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund, a director at the National Queer Asian Pacific Islander Alliance, an adjunct law professor at Brooklyn Law School, and an undergraduate teacher at Hunter College. Just as one of Dean Burns’ colleagues had observed of Dean Burns, Mr. Magpantay likewise flows in different legal and non-legal spaces to advocate for causes and communities he holds dear. Mr. Magpantay has fought to expand access to this country’s most treasured right: the right of its citizens to vote. As the Director of the Democracy Program at the Asian American Legal Defense and Education Fund (AALDEF), Mr. Magpantay has spearheaded AALDEF’s nationwide effort to protect and promote the voting rights of America’s newest members through organizing community-based programs and assistance, impact litigation and advocating for fair political representation.

DIVERSITY TRAILBLAZER AWARD
Presented by The Committee on Diversity and Inclusion

Created to honor individuals who demonstrate a strong commitment to help enhance diversity in the legal profession.

Recipient: Tracy Richelle High, Esq.

Tracy Richelle High is Deputy Managing Partner of S&C’s Litigation Group, and a member of the Firm’s Criminal Defense and Investigations practice. A partner of the Firm since 2008, Ms. High’s practice focuses on representing financial institutions and other corporations in complex civil litigation, including shareholder derivative and class action suits, regulatory enforcement proceedings, corporate internal investigations and labor and employment matters. Ms. High serves as co-chair of the Diversity and Women’s Initiative Committees and one of S&C’s hiring partners. Ms. High also oversees S&C’s active networks for minority associates: the Asian Associates Network, the Network of Black & Latino Lawyers and the LGBT Network. Each of these groups is dedicated to enhancing the experience of S&C’s diverse attorneys and championing their retention and advancement by fostering professional development, networking and mentoring opportunities.
KAY CRAWFORD MURRAY AWARD
Presented by The Committee on Women in the Law
To honor women in the profession who recognize the value of diversity in the legal profession and have dedicated their time to advancing the professional development of women attorneys.

Recipient: Karen P. Simmons, Esq.
Karen P. Simmons is the Executive Director of The Children’s Law Center (CLC). CLC represents children in the New York City Family Courts and the Integrated Domestic Violence Parts in the Supreme Court. Karen leads and develops her staff to ensure that they are zealous advocates, social justice focused and community minded. Karen brings that same energy to advancing diversity in the legal profession and regularly dedicates time to coach, mentor and develop others as well as being devoted to her family. Karen is a graduate of the City University School of Law and has a master’s from John Jay College, and a bachelor’s from Duke University.

Congratulations to the Hon. Joan S. Kohout!
“To honor a male or female member of the Association who has made a noteworthy contribution to the concerns of women through pro bono services, writing, service to bar associations or community organizations or other such endeavors.”

2015 Recipient of the
Ruth G. Schapiro Memorial Award
New York State Bar Association
RUTH G. SCHAPIRO MEMORIAL AWARD
Presented by The Committee on Women in the Law

To honor a male or female member of the Association who has made a noteworthy contribution to the concerns of women through pro bono services, writing, service to bar associations or community organizations or other such endeavors.

Recipient: Hon. Joan S. Kohout

Joan S. Kohout has been a Family Court Judge in Monroe County since 1988. Judge Kohout also serves as an Acting Supreme Court Justice and has had multiple assignments in County Court. Prior to being appointed to the bench, Judge Kohout was the first woman hired in the Monroe County Public Defender’s Office where she worked for 12 years. Judge Kohout is actively involved in juvenile justice issues with a special interest in issues impacting girls. She currently is the Juvenile Justice Chair of OCA’s Family Court Family Court and Advisory Committee, NYS Finger Lakes Regional Youth Justice Committee and the Monroe County Juvenile Justice Council. A former President of the NYS Family Court Judge’s Association and former Dean of the Monroe County Bar Association’s Academy of Law, Judge Kohout has trained lawyers and judges across the state on family law topics.

BAR LEADERS INNOVATION AWARD
Presented by The Conference of Bar Leaders

Recognizing how Bar Associations adapt to the needs of their members and the community at large by introducing new programs, ideas and methodologies that benefit everyone involved.

Large Bar—New York County Lawyers Association—State Central Registry Pro Bono Project

Small Bar—New Rochelle Bar Association—Lawyer in the Classroom Program
**Charles F. Crimi Memorial Award**  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recognizes a professional career of a defense attorney that embodies the highest ideals of the Criminal Justice Section.  
**Recipient: Terrence Connors, Esq.**

**Outstanding Contribution in the Field of Correctional Services**  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recognizes outstanding contribution in the field of correctional services.  
**Recipient: Sister Teresa Fitzgerald**  
*To be presented in the Spring*

**Outstanding Appellate Practitioner**  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
To recognize outstanding advocacy, protection of due process and the public welfare, and the integrity of the judicial system by defense attorneys and prosecutors.  
**Recipient: Janet C. Somes, Esq., Monroe County Public Defender**  
*To be presented in the Spring*

**Outstanding Contribution to the Bar and the Community**  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Special recognition for service to the bar and the community.  
**Recipient: Judge Robert Russell**

**Outstanding Police Contribution in the Criminal Justice System**  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recognizes outstanding efforts to improve the police function within the criminal justice system.  
**Recipient: Chief Margaret Ryan Dryden Police Department**  
*To be presented in the Spring*
OUTSTANDING PROSECUTOR
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section
Recognizes a prosecutor who has made a special contribution not only to the prosecution community, but to the bar at large, and whose professional conduct evidences a true understanding of a public prosecutor’s duty to advance the fair and ethical administration of criminal justice.

Recipient: Broome County DA Gerald Mollen, Esq.

THE MICHELE S. MAXIAN AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING PUBLIC DEFENSE PRACTITIONER
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section
Recognizes an outstanding public defense practitioner.

Recipient: Andrew Kossover, Esq.   * To be presented in the Spring

THE VINCENT E. DOYLE, JR. AWARD FOR OUTSTANDING JUDICIAL CONTRIBUTION IN THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE SYSTEM
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section
Recognizes outstanding judicial efforts to improve the administration of the criminal justice system.

Recipient: Hon. Robert S. Smith and Hon. Victoria A. Graffeo

ELDER LAW AND SPECIAL NEEDS SECTION AWARD
Presented by The Elder Law Section
To an individual whose actions are in furtherance of the rights of the elderly and persons with disabilities.

Recipient: Judith Raskin, Esq., upon her retirement, for her years of dedication to the Elder Law and Special Needs Section.
ELDER LAW AND SPECIAL NEEDS SECTION AWARD
Presented by The Elder Law Section

To an individual involved in litigation (including a fair hearing) that has advanced the rights of the elderly and persons with disabilities.

Recipient: Aytan Bellin, Esq.
For his work as plaintiff’s counsel in the Espinosa v. Shah federal court litigation which requires the Department of Health and OTDDA to issue Medicaid fair hearings within 90 days of the request.
EMPIRE STATE COUNSEL AWARD
Presented by Empire State Counsel

Pro Bono changes lives. The Empire State Counsel® Program recognizes the pro bono contributions made by Association Members. By generously donating their time and talent our members help low-income and vulnerable persons, who otherwise could not an attorney, gain access to the civil justice system. During Annual Meeting, the Association recognizes up to six law firms based on the number of NYSBA members they enroll as Empire State Counsel® during the preceding year. Two individual NYSBA members also are honored for the extraordinary nature of their pro bono contributions.

Recipients: TBA

THE PHIL COWAN MEMORIAL/BMI AWARD
Presented by The Entertainment, Arts, Sports, and Law Section (EASL)

In partnership with BMI, the world’s largest music performing rights organization established the Phil Cowan Memorial/BMI Award. Created in memory of Cowan, an esteemed entertainment lawyer and a former Chair of EASL. Committed to a practice concentrating in one or more areas of entertainment, art or sports law.

Recipients: TBA

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION ENVIRONMENTAL LAW SECTION AWARD
Presented by The Environmental Section

Recognizes an individual or organization with a record of significant achievement, meaningful contribution, and distinguished service to the environment.

Recipient: Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc.
GENERAL PRACTICE LAW SECTION AWARD
Presented by The General Practice Law Section

Recognizes a person who has contributed their time and expertise to improve the daily practice for law for general practitioners in New York State, and who has demonstrated a strong dedication to the profession.

Recipient: Willard H. DaSilva, Esq.
Willard H. DaSilva, senior member of DaSilva & Hilowitz LLP, New City, New York, is nationally known for his innovative lawyering and is one of fewer than 100 attorneys in the United States invited to be a Diplomate of the American College of Family Trial Lawyers. He is past President of the American Academy of Matrimonial Lawyers, New York Chapter, and of the New York Family Law American Inn of Court and has been referred to as the Dean of Matrimonial Lawyers by the New York Law Journal. His book New York Matrimonial Practice, published by Thomson-Reuters West, is considered a Bible of New York law, and his NYSBA monograph Matrimonial Law is a “best seller” throughout the State.

NEW YORK STATE BAR ASSOCIATION

The General Practice Section offers its congratulations to former Chair of the Section

Willard H. DaSilva, Esq.
Recipient of the 2015 General Practice Section Award

General Practice Section Officers:
Richard A. Klass, Esq., Chair
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John Owens, Jr., Esq., Secretary
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INTELLECTUAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION LAW STUDENT WRITING COMPETITION
Presented by The Intellectual Property Law Section

Recipient: 1st Place: Amy Deroo, Georgetown University Law Center
2nd Place: Brian Kim, Brooklyn Law School

DISTINCTION IN INTERNATIONAL LAW AND AFFAIRS
Presented by The International Section

Honors outstanding efforts in the area of international law and affairs. The award recognizes those who have made a major contribution to international peace, understanding and democracy.

Recipient: Hon. Judith S. Kaye

PERGAM WRITING COMPETITION
Presented by The International Section

To foster legal scholarship among law students in the field of international law. The competition is intended to encourage students of law to write on areas of public or private international law. The Section believes that by providing a forum for students to disseminate their ideas and articles, the professional and academic communities are enriched. Furthermore, the competition presents an opportunity for students to submit law review quality articles to the Section for possible publication in one of its publications.

Recipient: Ryan H. Hutzler, George Washington University Law School
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DISTINGUISHED JURIST AWARD
Presented by The Judicial Section
To honor a jurist who embodies the highest ideals of the Judicial Section and recognize judicial excellence and extraordinary commitment to the rule of law.

Recipient: Honorable Betty Weinberg Ellerin
Hon. Betty Weinberg Ellerin retired from the bench in December 2005 after serving as Justice of the Appellate Division, First Department for over 20 years. She was the first woman appointed to that bench in 1985, and in 1989, she was the first woman to serve as Presiding Justice of that court. She served as Deputy Chief Administrative Judge of the State of New York from 1982 to 1985 charged with primary responsibility for administering the operation of all the trial courts within the City of New York, involving more than 425 judges and over 4,700 non-judicial personnel, again the first woman to hold such position. From 1980 to 1982, Justice Ellerin presided over the City Part in New York County and settled over 2,500 cases involving a broad spectrum of disputes in which the city was a party.

AWARD FOR ADVANCEMENT OF JUDICIAL DIVERSITY
Presented by The Judicial Section
The NYSBA Judicial Diversity Award serves to recognize individuals for their efforts to promote diversity on the bench throughout New York State. Recipients will embody the New York State Bar Association’s commitment to diversity and inclusion at all levels of the judiciary.

Recipient: Honorable Karen Peters
Justice Peters became the first woman to be Presiding Justice of the Third Department when appointed by Gov. Andrew Cuomo on April 5, 2012. She is a graduate of George Washington University and New York University School of Law. Justice Peters began her legal career in private practice, later serving as an Assistant District Attorney in Dutchess County. In 1992, she became the first woman elected to the Supreme Court in the Third Department, and was re-elected in 2006. Justice Peters has served as a member of the Commission on Judicial Conduct since 2000.
**DR. EMANUEL STEIN AND KENNETH STEIN MEMORIAL LAW STUDENT WRITING COMPETITION**

Presented by The Labor and Employment Law Section

Recognizes excellence among law school students writing in the area of labor and employment law; and to cultivate the relationship between the Section and future labor and employment practitioners.

**First place: Anthony J. Holesworth, St. John’s University School of Law**
**Second place: Cynthia Vella, St. John’s University School of Law**
**Third place: Samantha Kimmel, St. John’s University School of Law**

**SAMUEL M. KAYNARD MEMORIAL STUDENT SERVICE AWARDS**

Presented by The Labor and Employment Law Section

The Award is intended to encourage scholarship and exemplary service in the field of Labor and Employment Law. The Award is made by the law school to the student(s) in recognition of an extraordinary accomplishment in the field.

**First: Elizabeth Koo, City University of New York Law School**
**Second: Aaron Samsel, City University of New York Law School**
**Third: Sarah Mannix, St. John’s University School of Law**

**LABOR AND EMPLOYMENT LAW SECTION LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD**

Presented by The Labor and Employment Law Section

**Recipient: Michael I. Bernstein, Esq.**

Fifty-five years ago I decided to drop out of law school due to personal circumstances and, rather naively, told Dean James Gifford (a man I never before had met), I would return the next year if I decided to pursue the law. Dean Gifford listened and then told me, in no uncertain terms, Columbia Law School would not take me back if I dropped out; he “took my crutch away.” He did not stop there, however. He quietly convinced me to stay and, in so doing, turned around the next 55 years of my life. I owe this award and, more importantly, my professional life, to Dean Gifford; my mentor, David Benetar, the greatest and most creative lawyer I have encountered, a pioneer in the labor field and a “man for all seasons” who showed me how a lawyer can, and should, give back to the profession and the community; and Janice. I have been blessed.
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
Presented by The Law Youth and Citizenship Committee

Recognizes a person from the legal profession who has made an outstanding contribution to law-related education and whose voluntary service fosters understanding of the values of our legal and judicial systems; informs and educates students as to the roles in society of the law, the courts, the law enforcement agencies and the legal profession; stimulates a sense of individual responsibility by helping students recognize their duties, as well as their rights; encourages effective law-related education programs in their communities and their schools; and increases communication and understanding among students, educators and those involved professionally in the legal system. First awarded in 1990, this designation has been bestowed each year upon deserving practitioners in the field of law.

Recipient: TBA

REAL PROPERTY LAW SECTION
PROFESSIONALISM AWARD
Presented by The Real Property Law Section

The award identifies a person possessing an outstanding level of competence, legal ability and achievement; a continuing civility and appreciation for others in his/her practice; a person who has engaged in mentoring of younger attorneys and who has been involved in Bar activities both on a state and local level.

Recipient: Peter V. Coffey, Esq.

Peter V. Coffey is a partner in the firm of Englert, Coffey, McHugh & Fantauzzi, Schenectady, NY. Upon graduation from Albany Law School, Mr. Coffey served as confidential law clerk to Supreme Court Justice Robert O. Brink. Mr. Coffey is a member of the Schenectady County Bar Association, having served as its President, and received its Lawyer of the Year honor. He is a member of the New York State Bar Association and has served in several capacities: House of Delegates member continuously with the exception of one-year gaps every four years since 1989; Executive Committee as Vice President from the Fourth District; Executive Committee of the NYSBA Real Estate Section since 1987 and as past-Chair of the Section; Chair of the Bar Association’s Committee to Review Judicial Nominations; member of the Committee on Standards of Attorney Conduct (COSAC) and its Nominating Committee for many years; and served on its Committee on Professional Discipline and its Committee on Attorney Professionalism. Mr. Coffey is a recipient of NYSBA’s Professionalism Award and of the Bar Association’s President’s Pro Bono Service Attorney Award. He is a Life Fellow of the New York Bar Foundation in the MaryAnn Saccomando Freedman Circle, member of the American Bar Association and a Sustaining Life Fellow of the American Bar Foundation, and a Member of the Capital District Women’s Bar Association. He is also Past President of the Legal Aid Society of Northeastern NY.
Congratulations

Peter V. Coffey
Recipient of Real Property Law Section Professionalism Award

and

The Honorable Karen Peters
Recipient of the Advancement of Judicial Diversity Award

and to all of the 2015 NYSBA Annual Meeting award winners.
JOHN E. LEACH MEMORIAL AWARD
Presented by The Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section (TICL)
Recognizes outstanding service and distinguished contributions to the legal profession as a member of the TICL Section.
Recipient: Thomas J. Maroney, Esq.

OUTSTANDING YOUNG LAWYER AWARD
Presented by The Young Lawyers Section
The Outstanding Young Lawyer Award recognizes an attorney who has actively practiced less than ten years and has a distinguished record of commitment to the finest traditions of the bar through public service and professional activities.
Recipient: Jessica B. Lee, Esq.

Our Congratulations to

Peter Coffey, Esq.
2015 NYSBA Real Property Law Section Professionalism Award
&
Michelle L. Haskin, Esq.
2015 NYSBA Attorney Professionalism Award
LOEB & LOEB LLP congratulates our friend and colleague

Jessica Lee

as she is honored with The New York State Bar Association Outstanding Young Lawyer Award.

We are proud to celebrate this recognition of Jessica’s hard work and dedication to her clients, to the community and to the bar.

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On Receiving
The Real Property Law Section’s Professionalism Award!

The Real Property Law Section Congratulates all of the award recipients for 2015!
Proudly supports founding partner

Thomas J. Maroney

on his receipt of the

2015

John E. Leach Memorial Award

CONGRATULATIONS TOM!
The Business Law Section
Congratulates

Samuel F. Abernethy

Recipient of the 2015
David S. Caplan Award for Meritorious Service!

The Attorneys of Bond, Schoeneck & King PLLC are proud of Michael I. Bernstein on his Lifetime Achievement Award presented by the Labor and Employment Law Section of the New York State Bar Association.

Michael’s efforts within the legal profession are to be commended and receiving this award is greatly deserved.
ANNUAL AWARDS PRESENTATION SCHEDULE

Please go to the Registration Desk, located on the 2nd floor, for ticket information regarding the following events.
**MONDAY, JANUARY 26**

**Distinction in International Law and Affairs**  
*Presented by The International Section*  
- **Recipients:** TBA  
- **Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
- **Event:** International Section Luncheon

**Pergam Writing Competition**  
*Presented by The International Section*  
- **Recipient:** TBA  
- **Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
- **Event:** Luncheon/Reception

**Trailblazer Award**  
*Presented by The Committee on Diversity and Inclusion*  
- **Recipient:** Tracy Richelle High, Esq.  
- **Time:** 6:00 p.m.  
- **Event:** Celebrating Diversity in the Bar Reception

**TUESDAY, JANUARY 27**

**General Practice Section Award**  
*Presented by The General Practice Section*  
- **Recipient:** Willard H. DaSilva, Esq.  
- **Time:** 9:00 a.m.  
- **Event:** General Practice Section Annual meeting

**The Phil Cowan Memorial/BMI Award**  
*Presented by The Entertainment, Arts, Sports, and Law Section (EASL)*  
- **Recipients:** TBA  
- **Time:** 1:00 p.m.  
- **Event:** Section Annual Meeting
Kay Crawford Murray Award  
*Presented by The Committee on Women in the Law*

**Recipient:** Karen P. Simmons, Esq.  
**Time:** 1:15 – 2:15 p.m.  
**Event:** CWIL MCLE Luncheon

Elder Law and Special Needs Section Award  
*Presented by The Elder Law Section*

**Recipient:** Judith Raskin, Esq.  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Event:** The Elder Law & Special Needs Section Meeting

Elder Law and Special Needs Section Award  
*Presented by The Elder Law Section*

**Recipient:** Aytan Bellin, Esq.  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Event:** The Elder Law & Special Needs Section Meeting

Intellectual Property Law Section Law Student Writing Competition  
*Presented by The Intellectual Property Law Section*

**Recipient:** TBA  
**Time:** 1:30 p.m.  
**Event:** Intellectual Property Law Section luncheon
WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 28

**Distinguished Service Award**
*Presented by The Law Youth and Citizenship Committee*

- **Recipient:** TBA
- **Time:** 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
- **Event:** CLE session

**Stanley H. Fuld Award**
*Presented by The Commercial and Federal Litigation Section*

- **Recipient:** Chief Administrative Judge A. Gail Prudenti
- **Time:** 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.
- **Event:** Reception/Luncheon

**The David Caplan Award for Meritorious Service**
*Presented by The Business Law Section*

- **Recipient:** Samuel F. Abernethy, Esq.
- **Time:** 12:30 p.m.
- **Event:** Business Law Section Meeting

**Outstanding Young Lawyer Award**
*Presented by The Young Lawyers Section*

- **Recipients:** Jessica B. Lee, Esq.
- **Time:** 12:30 p.m.
- **Event:** Young Lawyers Section Executive Committee Meeting

**John E. Leach Memorial Award**
*Presented by The Torts, Insurance and Compensation Law Section*

- **Recipient:** Thomas J. Maroney, Esq.
- **Time:** 6:30 p.m.
- **Event:** Reception and Dinner
THURSDAY, JANUARY 29

Charles F. Crimi Memorial Award  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recipient: Terrence Connors, Esq.  
Time: 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
Event: Reception & CJS Awards Luncheon  
New York Hilton Midtown

Outstanding Contribution to the Bar and The Community  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recipient: Judge Robert Russell  
Time: 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
Event: Reception & CJS Awards Luncheon,  
New York Hilton Midtown

Outstanding Prosecutor  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recipient: Gerald Mollen, Esq.  
Time: 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
Event: Reception & CJS Awards Luncheon,  
New York Hilton Midtown

The Vincent E. Doyle, Jr. Award for Outstanding Judicial Contribution in the Criminal Justice System  
Presented by The Criminal Justice Section  
Recipient: Hon. Robert S. Smith and Hon. Victoria A. Graffeo  
Time: 12:00 – 2:00 p.m.  
Event: Reception & CJS Awards Luncheon,  
New York Hilton Midtown

Empire State Counsel Award  
Presented by Empire State Counsel  
Recipients: Visit www.nysba.org/ESC2014 for a list of recipients  
Time: 12:30 – 2:00 p.m.  
Event: Justice for All Luncheon
Real Property Law Section Professionalism Award  
Presented by The Real Property Law Section

Recipient: Peter V. Coffey, Esq.  
Time: 12:45 p.m.  
Event: Real Property Law Section Luncheon  
21 Club, 21 West 52nd Str., NYC

William T. Lifland Award  
Presented by The Antitrust Law Section

Recipient: Bruce J. Prager, Esq.  
Time: 5:00 p.m.  
Event: Antitrust and Young Lawyers Cocktail Reception

Haywood Burns Memorial Award  
Presented by The Committee on Civil Rights

Recipient: Glenn D. Magpantay, Esq.  
Time: 5:30 p.m.  
Event: Haywood Burns Award Ceremony and Reception

New York State Bar Association  
Environmental Law Section Award  
Presented by The Environmental Law Section

Recipients: Hudson River Sloop Clearwater, Inc.  
Time: 6:00 p.m.  
Event: Environmental Law Section Annual Business Meeting

New York State Bar Association Award for Attorney Professionalism  
Presented by The Committee on Attorney Professionalism

Recipient: Michelle L. Haskin, Esq.  
Time: 7:00 p.m.  
Event: House of Delegates Dinner
FRIDAY, JANUARY 30

**Bar Leaders Innovation Award**
*Presented by The Conference of Bar Leaders*

**Recipients:** Large Bar—New York County Lawyers Association—State Central Registry Pro Bono Project
Small Bar—New Rochelle Bar Association—Lawyer in the Classroom Program

**Time:** 7:30 a.m.

**Event:** Annual Breakfast for Bar Leaders

**Labor and Employment Section Lifetime Achievement Award**
*Presented by The Labor and Employment Law Section*

**Recipient:** Michael I. Bernstein, Esq.

**Time:** 8:30 a.m.

**Event:** Section Annual Meeting

**Ruth G. Schapiro Memorial Award**
*Presented by The Committee on Women in the Law*

**Recipient:** Hon. Joan S. Kohout

**Time:** 9:30 a.m.

**Event:** House of Delegates Meeting

**Dr. Emanuel Stein and Kenneth Stein Memorial Law Student Writing Competition Award**
*Presented by The Labor and Employment Law Section*

**Recipients:**
- First place: Anthony J. Holesworth, St. John’s University School of Law
- Second place: Cynthia Vella, St. John’s University School of Law
- Third place: Samantha Kimmel, St. John’s University School of Law

**Time:** 12:30 p.m.

**Event:** Labor and Employment Section’s Luncheon
Samuel M. Kaynard Memorial Student Service Awards
Presented by The Labor and Employment Law Section

Recipient: First: Elizabeth Koo, City University of New York Law School
Second: Aaron Samsel, City University of New York Law School
Third: Sarah Mannix, St. John’s University School of Law

Time: 12:30 p.m.
Event: Labor and Employment Section’s Luncheon

Distinguished Jurist Award
Presented by The Judicial Section

Recipient: Honorable Betty Weinberg Ellerin

Time: 1:00 p.m.
Event: Judicial Section Annual Meeting Luncheon

Award for Advancement of Judicial Diversity
Presented by The Judicial Section

Recipient: Hon. Karen Peters

Time: 1:00 p.m.
Event: Judicial Section Annual Meeting Luncheon
The Gold Medal Award
Presented by The New York State Bar Association

Recipient: Hon. Juanita Bing Newton
Time: 7:00 p.m.
Event: President’s Dinner

The Trusts and Estates Law Section Officers and Section Members

Congratulate All of The 2015 Award Recipients!

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Marion Hancock Fish, Chair-Elect
Magdalen Gaynor, Secretary
Sharon L. Wick, Treasurer
Carl Baker, Immediate Past Chair
Ilene Cooper, Past Chair
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Award for Attorney Professionalism
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