



2019 Awards of Merit

Do you know an advocate, volunteer, court staff, or client who deserves recognition for their work?

The Legal Aid Association of California invites you to nominate that person for a 2019 Award of Merit!

Nomination Deadline: April 5th, 2019

LAAC will present up to **FOUR** awards, one in each of the categories below:

1. Legal Services Attorney
2. Non-Attorney staff (Paralegal, Community Worker, other Support Staff)
3. Individual Volunteer or Board Member for a legal services program
4. Client of a legal services program engaged in advocacy or assistance to the program

Award Criteria

The LAAC Recognition Committee will review the nominations for the legal-services-based awards and make final selections based on the nominee's contributions in one or more of the following areas:

- Demonstrated commitment to the delivery of legal services to the poor;
- Litigation of cases that had a significant impact on legal services clients;
- Work with the client community that increased client access to legal services;
- Legislative work that resulted in improved legal services or other services needed by legal services clients;
- Advocacy efforts that helped meet the legal needs of those traditionally under-represented in our legal system.

Only individuals working at LAAC member programs can receive awards. All staff persons at LAAC member organizations are eligible to submit nominations.

This year's awards will be presented at the
2019 Pathways to Justice Conference, June 3-5 in San Francisco

Questions? Please visit www.LAAConline.org, or contact Harmony at (510) 893-3000 x 103, or via email at hking@laaconline.org.

Nomination Category – Please check one.

Legal Services Attorney

Volunteer/Board Member

Paralegal/Community Worker/Support Staff

Client

(1) Nominee's Information

Nominee's Name: _____

Organization/Firm: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

(2) Nominator's Information

Nominator: _____

Organization/Firm: _____

Address: _____

Telephone _____ Fax: _____

E-mail: _____

(3) Statement Supporting the Nomination:

Please attach a brief statement (no longer than 2 pages) explaining why your nominee qualifies for an award. It is helpful to specifically address the nomination criteria for the category for which you are nominating him/her and to give a brief overview of the nominee's work history, other activities, or other recognition that he/she has received. You may also include a resume and *up to two letters of support*. As always, thank you for your thoughtful nomination!

Send completed forms and supplementary information to:
Harmony King, hking@laaconline.org