

Focus on Diversity

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Nomination Procedures Listed, Forms Available Online for Trailblazer Award, Guardian of Diversity Award


The Louisiana State Bar Association's (LSBA) Member Outreach and Diversity Department has announced the nomination periods and procedures for the Trailblazer Award and the Guardian of Diversity Award. Nominations for both awards are open online. Nomination deadlines are Feb. 28, 2025, for both awards.

For more information on the awards (including criteria and procedures) and to access nomination forms, go online: www.lsba.org/Members/Awards.aspx. Then click on "Diversity and Inclusion Awards." Or email the Member Outreach and Diversity Department at

diversity@lsba.org.

The LSBA Chief Justice Bernette Joshua Johnson Trailblazer Award was established in 2016. It combined two previous diversity awards — the Trailblazer Award (established in 2013) and the Human Rights Award (established in 2010). This award recognizes individual attorneys and judges who champion the ideals set forth by Chief Justice Bernette Joshua Johnson, the first African American chief justice of the Louisiana Supreme Court, who has always exhibited an unwavering commitment to enhancing diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. Nominees must be admitted to practice in Louisiana. Judges must have been

elected or appointed to a state or federal court in Louisiana; the lawyer or judge can be on active or inactive status and from any practice setting; and the lawyer or judge cannot be a current member of the LSBA's Committee on Diversity in the Legal Profession.

The Guardian of Diversity Award, established in 2013, recognizes non-profit groups, local and specialty bar associations, and public interest organizations that implement and advance diversity programs to promote and support diversity in the legal community. Nominees can be bar associations, courts, law firms/departments, or community organizations (including non-profits and public interest organizations). 

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