

Focus on Diversity

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13th Annual Conclave on Diversity: Thanks to Our Sponsors!

The Louisiana State Bar Association has hosted the Conclave on Diversity in the Legal Profession for 13 years. The Conclave continues to serve as an opportunity for attorneys and judges to convene and discuss the importance of diversity and inclusion in the legal profession. The LSBA would like to acknowledge our sponsors, partners and participants for the Aug. 13, 2021, event.

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Nominations Open 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. Nomination deadlines are Feb. 28, 2022, for both awards.

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). The Trailblazer Award is presented by the LSBA annually in June at the Annual Meeting. The 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 LSBA 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. It is presented at the LSBA’s Annual Meeting. Nominees can be bar associations, courts, law firms/departments, or community organizations (including non-profits and public interest organizations).

For more information on the awards and to access nomination forms, go online: www.lsba.org/Members/Awards.aspx. Click on “Diversity and Inclusion Awards.” Or email the Member Outreach and Diversity Department at diversity@lsba.org.