

PBA CIVIL & EQUAL RIGHTS CHAMPION AWARD CRITERIA AND NOMINATION FORM

The Pennsylvania Bar Association (PBA)'s Civil and Equal Rights Committee (CERC) has established an annual award to honor an individual who champions for civil rights for all Pennsylvanians. This award will be given annually to an individual who meets and/or exceeds the criteria set forth below:

1. Nominees must be a lawyer, member of the judiciary or legal academic who has made a significant contribution to the advancement of civil and equal rights for Pennsylvanians.
2. Consideration should be given to the nominee's impact through constitutional advocacy, legislative acts or advocacy, or individual representation and development of case law in a manner that supports the mission of the Civil and Equal Rights Committee.¹
3. Nominees should be leaders who use their position of leadership to inspire others to act and champion civil and equal rights for all before the law.
4. Consideration will be given to nominees who encourage bar associations to take positions that promote and advance civil rights, civil liberties, human rights, and equality work in the United States, including Pennsylvania.

PART I.

Provide the following information pertaining to the Nominee:

Name:

Title:

Email Address:

Organization Name:

Organization Address:

Organization Telephone Number:

¹ CERC Mission Statement: The Civil and Equal Rights Committee shall promote and defend civil rights and responsibilities, fair treatment and equal opportunity for all individuals and the avoidance and elimination of wrongful discrimination and unfair bias by (a) monitoring actual and proposed legislation, litigation, rules of conduct and procedures and other relevant developments; (b) educating the legal community and the public; and (c) making proposals and recommendations to advance and effect the goals of the committee.

PART II

Nominated By:

Name:

Title:

Email Address:

Organization Name:

Organization Address:

Organization Telephone Number:

PART III

(use a separate sheet to complete the following questions)

1. Describe the individual's background (lawyer, member of judiciary, legal academic):
2. Thoroughly describe how the individual has significantly impacted civil and equal rights in PA and in what manner he/she did so (constitutional advocacy, legislative acts or advocacy or individual representation):
3. Describe how the individual has used his/her position of leadership to inspire others to act and champion civil and equal rights before the law:

DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION OF NOMINATIONS IS: March 31, 2019

Please submit submissions to:

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