The Pennsylvania Bar Association
Business Law Section


The Pennsylvania Bar Association, Business Law Section created the W. Edward Sell/William H. Clark Jr. Award* to recognize an individual for his/her extraordinary contribution to the practice of business law in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.

The recipient must meet the following criteria as determined by the Executive Committee of the Business Law Section of the Pennsylvania Bar Association:

1) The individual must have contributed to the practice of business law at the highest level, either through the practice of law or through teaching;
2) The individual must have contributed to the statutory development of business law in the Commonwealth; and
3) The individual must have contributed to the Pennsylvania Bar Association by working in leadership roles in the Business Law Section.

The Committee will always consider gender, geographical and other diversity when choosing a recipient for the award.

* W. Edward Sell Business Lawyer Award created in October 2014, was renamed by section vote in May 2022 to be the W. Edward Sell/William H. Clark Jr. Business Lawyer Award.