

The Nina Miglionico “Paving the Way” Leadership Award

The Women Lawyers Section of the Birmingham Bar Association established the Nina Miglionico “Paving the Way” Leadership Award to recognize and honor lawyers who have actively paved the way to success and advancement for women lawyers.

“Miss Nina,” as she is affectionately known to the Birmingham community, exemplifies a life devoted to the public good, as one of the state’s first women lawyers to engage in private practice in 1936, as the first female elected to the Birmingham City Council in 1963 and as an altruistic supporter of her church, community and nation throughout her decades of service. From her beginning in a family of Italian immigrants, her short stature belies her tall standing as a role model and mentor to women lawyers in Alabama and the United States.

The Women Lawyers Section is soliciting nominations for this award. The nominee should be:

1. An individual lawyer who has achieved professional excellence, and
2. Assisted women lawyers to achieve their potential through mentoring, or
3. Inspired women lawyers to achieve their potential by providing a professional role model, or
4. Provided opportunities that paved the way for advancement of the status of women lawyers.

Nominations should be postmarked by December 29, 2007. If you would like to obtain a nomination form, please contact Leatha Gilbert at lgilbert@gilbertlaw.com.

Judicial Award of Merit

The Board of Bar Commissioners of the Alabama State Bar will receive nominations for the state bar’s Judicial Award of Merit through March 15, 2008. Nominations should be mailed to:

Keith B. Norman
Secretary
Board of Bar Commissioners
P.O. Box 671
Montgomery, AL 36101-0671

The Judicial Award of Merit was established in 1987. The award is not necessarily an annual award. It must be presented to a judge who is not retired, whether state or federal court, trial or appellate, who is determined to have contributed significantly to the administration of justice in Alabama. The recipient is presented with a crystal gavel bearing the state bar seal and the year of presentation.

Nominations are considered by a three-member committee appointed by the president of the state bar which then makes a recommendation to the board of bar commissioners with respect to a nominee or whether the award should be presented in any given year.

Nominations should include a detailed biographical profile of the nominee and a narrative outlining the significant contribution(s) the nominee has made to the administration of justice. Nominations may be supported with letters of endorsement. ■

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