

**2015 Guardian of Diversity AWARD**  
**LOUISIANA STATE BAR ASSOCIATION**

**NOMINATION INFORMATION**

**DEADLINE: January 15, 2015**

The Louisiana State Bar Association Guardian of Diversity Award recognizes non-profit groups, local and specialty bar associations, and public interest organizations that implement and advance diversity programs to promote and support diversity within the community.

Criteria for this award include creating and implementing innovative strategies to promote and advance the concept and spirit of diversity and inclusion in society; making a significant impact on diversity issues in the community; enhancing access and equality in employment, economic, and educational opportunities; advocating and promoting an understanding and awareness of diversity; dedication to improving and bridging the relationship between diverse groups; and a proven commitment to creating a culture of diversity and inclusion.

**Nominations will be submitted to the Diversity Awards Nominations Subcommittee of the LSBA Committee on Diversity. The Subcommittee will review all nominations and make recommendations to the Committee on Diversity. The Committee on Diversity will forward its recommended nominations to the Board of Governors for final approval.**

**To nominate a party, please submit a written narrative statement and supporting materials. The written submission should include the following: (1) The name of the nominee and (2) a narrative statement explaining why the nominee should receive the award. It is recommended that the statement not exceed 300 words. You may attach additional documents to support your nominee to the extent needed. *Self nominations are permitted.***

***The Diversity Awards Nomination Subcommittee reserves the right to interview a nominee and/or the nominator.***

The nomination must be postmarked, faxed or emailed by **January 15, 2015**. Emails and faxes are preferred. Incomplete nominations will not be accepted and will be returned to the nominator for completion and submission by the deadline.

*The awards will be presented during the 2015 Diversity Conclave, which will be held March 6, 2015. Award recipients will be recognized at the Diversity Conclave and will receive two admissions to the Diversity Conclave, as well as mileage reimbursement calculated at the Federal mileage rate, up to .56./mi*

The nomination materials must be sent to the following:

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