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## ***Annual Pro Bono & Public Service Awards*** **Call for Nominations**

The Seventh Circuit Bar Association's *Pro Bono & Public Service Awards* celebrate the legal profession's commitment to community service and honor outstanding *pro bono* and public service work by members of the bar. Through the awards, the Association recognizes the exemplary work of attorneys from the host state of the Association's Annual Meeting, **Illinois in 2018**. Awards are presented for work in each of the following categories:

- Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals;
- U.S. District Courts in Illinois; and
- U.S. Bankruptcy Courts in Illinois.

Nominations must include a description of the nature and extent of the *pro bono* or public service work, and must identify the particular court in which the work was performed. Criteria for the awards include a significant *pro bono* or public service undertaking involving federal court litigation, and practice at the highest degree of excellence and ethics.

Recognizing that outstanding *pro bono* or public service can take many forms, nominations are welcomed of Illinois attorneys who have been court-appointed or who otherwise have taken on civil or criminal federal court matters on behalf of those in need, regardless of whether the work involved written advocacy, oral advocacy, or both. Nominations may be of an attorney, group, firm, or other organization. Nominations may be either for outstanding *pro bono* work, or for outstanding public service. Public service work includes but is not limited to legal aid.

To nominate an attorney or a group of attorneys for an award, please submit a letter of nomination, including the professional biography of the nominee(s), to the *Pro Bono & Public Service Awards Committee*, c/o Debbie Groboski, Seventh Circuit Bar Association, 53 W. Jackson Blvd., Suite 1050, Chicago, IL 60604, or by email [dg@ag-ltd.com](mailto:dg@ag-ltd.com). For further information, please contact *Pro Bono & Public Service Committee Chair* Margot Klein at [margot\\_klein@ilnd.uscourts.gov](mailto:margot_klein@ilnd.uscourts.gov).

**Nominations must be received by Feb 16, 2018.**

The awards will be presented during the Seventh Circuit Bar Association's Annual Meeting, April 29 – May 1, 2018, at the Radisson Blu Chicago.