

**2015 NOMINATION FORM**  
**ISBA Family and Juvenile Law Section**  
**Gale M. Phelps Award**

**SELECTION CRITERIA:** The Gale M. Phelps Award is named in memory of Gale M. Phelps, a former chair of the Family & Juvenile Law Section of the Indiana State Bar Association and one of the most active members of the Section. She was instrumental in creating the Family Law Specialist Certification status in Indiana.

Gale's death in May 2003 caused members of the Section to reflect on her tremendous impact on the practice of family law in Indiana. The Section decided to recognize Gale's contributions in an ongoing manner by annually honoring an attorney who had worked to elevate the standards of professionalism in the area of family law. Factors considered in the selection of the recipient reflect Gale's contributions to the family law legal community and include:

- **Exceptional service to the profession:** unsolicited mentoring to new attorneys, reaching out to other lawyers, and working with attorneys on a one-to-one basis
- **Highest level of competence/improving the profession:** reviewing legislation and shaping family law policies, contributing to educational seminars, serving in leadership positions for legal and nonlegal organizations
- **Raising the level of professionalism and civility in domestic relations matters:** going beyond the client's basic needs, maintaining respect for the court system and its participants
- **High moral character**

1. **Information about Nominee:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

2. **On separate sheet(s), please provide the following about the nominee:**

- a) special contributions to the family law practice, including service to clients and service to other attorneys
- b) other reasons for nomination, such as reputation among peers, high ethical standards, "role model" for other lawyers, and service to community
- c) service to the legal profession at large, such as service to his or her local bar, Indiana State Bar Association, the American Bar Association or other organizations.

3. **Information about person nominating:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Business Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

***Please return this form and supporting information to:***

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**Nominations and supporting information are due by Aug. 10, 2015.**