

# NSBA Awards History

## George H. Turner Award

2021 John H. Kellogg, Jr.  
 2020 Dennis Collins  
 2019 John Atkins  
 Dan Wintz  
 2018 Hon. John F. Wright (*posthumously*)  
 2017 Hon. William J. Riley  
 2016 Hon. Lawrence Gendler  
 2015 Hon. Michael Offner (*posthumously*)  
 2014 Hon. Randall Rehmeier  
 2013 Hon. William Blue (*posthumously*)  
 2011 Hon. Theodore L. Carlson  
 (*posthumously*)  
 2010 Robert H. Berkshire  
 2009 Douglas J. Stratton  
 Gerald L. Soucie  
 2008 John V. Hendry  
 2007 D. Milo Mumgaard  
 2006 Hon. Lyle E. Strom  
 2005 James Hewitt  
 2004 Hon. Thomas M. Shanahan  
 2003 Kevin L. Ruser  
 2002 Hon. Robert O. Hippe  
 2001 Roberta S. Stick  
 2000 Hon. James M. Murphy  
 1999 James E. Gordon  
 1998 Kim M. Robak  
 1997 Robert W. Mullin  
 1996 Michael D. Gooch  
 1995 Albert T. Reddish  
 1994 Indigent Defense Task Force  
 1993 Howard P. Olsen Jr.  
 1992 James M. Bausch  
 1991 Hon. William C. Hastings  
 1990 Hon. Gerald E. Rouse  
 1989 Ronald Volkmer  
 1988 Harvey S. Perlman  
 1987 Hon. Norman M. Krivosha  
 1986 Bennett G. Hornstein  
 1985 Thomas J. Walsh  
 1984 Hon. Lyle C. Winkle  
 1983 Robert M. Spire  
 1982 John M. Gradwohl  
 1981 Hon. Herbert A. Ronin  
 1980 Thomas R. Burke  
 1979 Daniel D. Jewell  
 1978 Thomas W. Tye  
 1977 David Dow  
 1975 Bert L. Overcash  
 1974 Jack W. Marer  
 1972 Seymour L. Smith  
 1971 Herman Ginsburg  
 1970 Hon. Paul J. Hickman  
 1969 Senator Roman L. Hruska  
 1968 Hon. Edward F. Carter  
 1966 George B. Hastings  
 1965 Clarence A. Davis  
 1964 Raymond G. Young

## Award of Special Merit

2021 Michael E. Blackburn  
 2020 Jessica Kallstrom-Schreckengost  
 2019 D.C. (Woody) Bradford  
 2018 Catherine M. Mahern  
 Milton R. Abrahams Legal Clinic  
 2017 Marianne Culhane  
 2016 ACLU of Nebraska  
 2015 James Mowbray  
 Thomas Riley  
 2014 Dennis G. Carlson  
 2012 Ron Henningsen (*posthumously*)  
 Lynda Henningsen  
*The Daily Record*  
 2011 Hon. Karen B. Flowers  
 2010 Sec. of State John Gale  
 Attorney General Jon Bruning  
 2009 Dean Patrick J. Borchers  
 Dean Steven L. Willborn  
 2008 John P. Lenich  
 2007 Robert Bartle  
 2006 Roger W. Kirst  
 2005 Hon. Alan L. Brodbeck  
 2004 David S. Houghton  
 2003 John B. Milligan  
 2002 Douglas A. Kristensen  
 2001 Jay J. Sullivan  
 2000 Omaha Law League  
 1999 Dennis R. Keefe  
 1998 Mid-American Council Juvenile  
 Diversion Program  
 Nebraska Court Appointed Special  
 Advocate (CASA) Association  
 1997 Richard C. Witt  
 1996 Hon. Richard D. Sievers  
 1994 John R. Doyle  
 1993 Charles W. Baskins  
 1992 Kathleen M. Severens  
 1991 Robert G. Scoville  
 1990 Hon. Janice L. Gradwohl  
 Hon. Robert Van Pelt  
 1989 Hon. W.W. Nuernberger  
 1988 Legal Services of SE Nebraska, Inc.  
 Omaha Legal Aid Society  
 Western Nebraska Legal Services  
 Inc.  
 1987 Hon. Robert C. McGowan  
 1985 Richard M. Van Steenberg  
 1984 Robert J. Kutak  
 1983 Richard D. Shugrue  
 James W. Hewitt  
 1982 Vard R. Johnson  
 1981 Rodney Shkolnick  
 John Strong  
 1980 Joe R. Seacrest  
 Robert D. Mullin  
 1979 Robert M. Spire  
 1978 Leo F. Clinch

1977 Alfred G. Ellick  
 1976 William J. Baird  
 1975 Laurens Williams  
 Jack W. Marer  
 1974 Hon. Robert R. Moran  
 1973 Murl M. Maupin  
 Lester A. Danielson

### **Award of Appreciation**

2021 Denise Krael  
2020 Mark Fahleson  
Tara Paulson  
2019 S. Scott and Wendy Moore Family  
2018 William J. Lindsay, Jr.  
2017 Lorraine Boyd  
2016 Frank C. Heinisch  
2015 Congressman Brad Ashford  
2014 Senator Steven M. Lathrop  
Governor Charles Thone  
2013 Hon. Vernon Daniels  
Arturo Perez  
2012 Hon. Jeffre Cheuvront  
2011 Hon. Gerald E. Moran  
2010 Daphne Hyun-Jin Aronson  
Kenneth M. Wentz III  
Sherman P. Willis  
2008 Deanna Lubken  
2007 The Woods Charitable Fund  
2006 Riko E. Bishop  
Mark J. Young  
2005 First National Bank  
2004 Lawrence Raful  
2003 Ronald R. Volkmer  
John M. Gradwohl  
2002 Lane Foundation  
2001 Nebraska Mock Trial Project  
2000 Lancaster County Juvenile  
Court Judges  
1999 Alan H. Frank  
1998 Linda L. Willard  
1997 Eileen Reilly-Buzzello  
James E. Reisinger  
1996 The *Omaha World Herald*  
1995 Jung Nguyen  
1994 Nebraska Bankers Association  
1993 Dave Thompson (*posthumously*)  
*Omaha World Herald*  
1992 Nebraska Association of Trial  
Attorneys  
Nebraska Highway Safety Program  
1991 Reta Johnson,  
Nebraska State Library  
1989 Ted Larson, Lincoln  
Southeast High School  
National Bicentennial Competition  
1988 Eleanor Propp, Nebraska  
Commission for the Hearing  
Impaired  
1987 Kathryn E. Haugstatter,  
*Lincoln Star*  
1986 *Scottsbluff Star Herald*  
1985 Thomas R. Walsh,  
Nebraska Department of  
Education  
1984 KFAB Radio, Tom Johnson  
1983 Volunteers Intervening for Equity

1982 KETV Television,  
Gary Nielson  
1981 Kearney State College,  
Brendan McDonald  
1980 Gary Kerr,  
WOWT Television  
1979 Nebraska Educational Television,  
John M. Lewis  
1978 Nebraska Commission on Aging,  
David M. Howard  
1977 Ceilia McNamara,  
Omaha Bar Association  
1975 *Lincoln Journal*,  
Bill Kreifel  
1974 *Omaha World Herald*,  
John Taylor  
1973 Junior League of Omaha,  
Omaha Law Wives  
1972 Donna Belle Weyers,  
Secretary of State's Office  
1971 KETV Television,  
Kenneth James  
1970 Maurice H. Sigler,  
Nebraska Dept. of Corrections  
1969 Benjamin Goble,  
Lincoln Police Department  
1968 Nebraska Association of  
Broadcasters, Paul Jensen  
1966 Junior League of Omaha,  
Mrs. Tyler Gaines  
1965 KMTV Television,  
Owen Saddler  
1964 *Lincoln Journal News Staff*,  
Gil Savery

### **President's Professionalism Award**

2021 Hon. Laurie Smith Camp (*posthumously*)  
2020 Linda Crump  
2019 G. Michael Fenner  
2017 Rick Allan  
2016 Lyle Koenig  
Richard Moberly  
2014 Hon. Lyle E. Strom  
2013 Hon. Teresa Luther  
2012 James E. Rembolt  
2011 Christopher M. Ferdico  
2010 Richard A. Knudsen  
2009 Robert H. Berkshire  
2008 Kevin Collieran (*posthumously*)  
2007 Brenda Council  
2006 Hon. Warren K. Urbom  
2005 Vincent Dowding  
Terry Grennan  
2003 John B. Milligan

### **NSBA Diversity Award**

2021 Shawntal Mallory  
2020 Anna Shavers  
2019 Yvonne Sosa  
2018 Jamie C. Cooper  
2017 Charlie Wright  
2016 UNO Goodrich Scholarship Program  
2015 Linda R. Crump  
2014 Rita L. Melgares  
2013 Frederick Franklin  
Fredericks Peebles & Morgan, LLP  
2012 Baird Holm LLP  
2011 Fraser Stryker PC LLO  
Hon. Vernon Daniels  
2010 Kutak Rock LLP  
Baird Holm LLP

### **Outstanding Contributor to Women in the Law Award**

2021 Gail Perry  
2020 Amy Van Horne  
2019 Megan Belcher  
2018 Hon. Mary Gilbride  
2017 Hon. Riko Bishop  
2016 Linda R. Crump  
2015 Kathleen Neary  
2014 Glenda J. Pierce  
2013 Hon. Karen B. Flowers  
2012 Marsha E. Fangmeyer  
2011 Dean Susan Poser  
Dean Marianne Culhane  
2010 Deborah R. Gilg  
2009 Susan Ann Koenig  
2008 Marilyn B. Hutchinson  
2007 Roberta Stick  
2006 Eleanor Knoll Swanson  
2005 Hon. Laurie Smith Camp  
2004 Hon. Janice L. Gradwohl

### **Outstanding Young Lawyer Award**

2021 Dwyer Arce  
2020 Kara Brostrom  
2019 Christin Lovegrove  
2018 Patrick M. Lee  
2017 Laura Essay  
2016 Breanna Anderson  
2015 Jaclyn N. Daake  
2014 Sara VanBrandwijk  
2013 Ross R. Pesek  
2012 Heidi M. Hayes  
2011 Bradley A. Sipp  
2010 Karine E. Sokpoh  
2009 Brian Davis

### **Visionary Award**

2022 Tana M. Fye  
Catherine "Kate" M. Mahern  
Ryan J. Stover  
2021 Frederick T. Bartell  
Mindy Rush Chipman  
2020 Ann Mangiameli  
Paul W. Snyder  
Karine Sokpoh  
2019 Molly Brummond  
Terry Grennan  
Todd Richardson  
2018 Ryan Sullivan  
Jennifer Kearney  
Brouillette, Dugan & Troshynski  
2017 Stacy C. Bach  
Marsha E. Fangmeyer  
Steven H. Howard  
Muirne Heaney  
2016 Karisa D. Johnson  
Omaha Bar Association  
2015 Senator Danielle M. Conrad  
Michael F. Kinney  
2014 Fitzgerald Vetter & Temple  
Michelle M. Mitchell  
Mark Jacobs  
2013 Michael T. Brogan  
Kim M. Seacrest  
Margaret M. Zarbano  
2012 James E. Schneider  
Jackson Lewis, LLP  
2011 Kutak Rock, LLP  
Larry W. Beucke

### **Robert M. Spire Pro Bono Award**

2022 James E. Gordon (*posthumously*)  
2021 Ryan P. Sullivan  
2020 Hon. Teresa Luther  
2019 Harold Rock (*posthumously*)  
2018 James A. Cada  
2017 Jane Schoenike (*posthumously*)  
2016 Hon. Stephen M. Swartz, ret.  
2015 Avis Andrews  
2014 James H. Truell  
2013 Adam R. Tripp  
2012 Tara L. Gardner  
2011 Ann S. Moshman  
2010 Susan M. Koenig  
2009 Alan D. Martin  
2008 Diane B. Metz  
2007 Paul M. Conley  
2006 Charles R. Maser  
2005 Catherine Mahern  
2004 Ralph E. Peppard  
2003 John V. Morgan  
2002 D. C. "Woody" Bradford  
2001 Charles A. Nye  
Stephen A. Scherr  
2000 Mary L. Wilson  
1999 Mark R. Widell  
1998 Martin J. Kushner (*posthumously*)  
1997 Gail S. Perry  
1996 Connie Kearney  
Robert F. Martin  
1995 Paul W. Rea  
1994 The Marks & Clare Firm  
1993 Michael D. Matejka  
1992 J. Marvin Weems  
1991 Earl D. Ahlschwede  
1990 Clark J. Grant  
1989 James W. Crampton  
1988 James R. Nisley  
1987 Paul W. Korslund  
1986 David Perlman  
1985 John W. Ballew Jr.