

**MAHONING COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION
PROFESSIONALISM AWARD**

The Board of Trustees is pleased to announce the 2019 Professionalism Award nomination(s) to recognize an M.C.B.A. member for his/her professionalism. This award is different from the Lawyer of the Year Award and the Distinguished Service Award which are presented at the Elections Banquet.

The award will be presented at the Opening of Courts Luncheon, following nominations from the entire Bar Association with final voting by the Board of Trustees.

The requirement for the award is as follows:

The award will be given to a current Bar Association member who embodies the qualities set forth in the Lawyer's Creed (see reverse side). Lawyers who have been practicing law for 30 years or more will be eligible.

Previous Recipients are:

David C. Comstock, Sr. (2003) and Hon. Charles J. Bannon (2004) and Dennis Haines (2005)
Joseph D. DeSanto (2006) Vincent E. Gilmartin (2007)
Stephen T. Bolton (2008), Thomas E. Infante (2009), Eldon S. (Bud) Wright (2010) J. Gerald
Ingram (2011) James E. (Ted) Roberts (2012)
Charles E. Dunlap (2013) Albert J. Ortenzio (2014) Thomas J. Wilson (2015) James L.
Messenger (2016) Daniel L. Rossi (2017) and John B. Juhasz (2018)

Should you have a nomination for the above-mentioned award, we ask that you complete the form below and forward it to the Bar Office by **4:00 p.m. May 17, 2019.**

Thank you for your nomination and involvement in the Association
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Return to:

Mahoning County Bar Association
114 E. Front Street, Suite 100
Youngstown, Ohio 44503

PROFESSIONALISM AWARD

NAME: (please print) _____

Reason:

A Lawyers Creed

To my clients, I offer loyalty confidentially, competence, diligence, and my best judgment. I shall represent you as I should want to be represented and be worthy of your trust. I shall counsel you with respect to alternative methods to resolve disputes. I shall endeavor to achieve your lawful objectives as expeditiously and economically as possible.

To the opposing parties and their counsel, I offer fairness, integrity, and civility. I shall not knowingly make misleading or untrue statements of fact or law. I shall endeavor to consult with and cooperate with you in scheduling meetings, depositions, and hearings. I shall avoid excessive and abusive discovery. I shall attempt to resolve differences and, if we fail, I shall strive to make our dispute a dignified one.

To the courts and other tribunals, and to those who assist them, I offer respect, candor, and courtesy. Where consistent with my clients' interests, I shall communicate with opposing counsel in an effort to avoid or resolve litigation. I shall attempt to agree with other counsel on a voluntary exchange of information and on a plan for discovery. I shall do honor to the search for justice.

To my colleagues in the practice of law, I offer concern for your reputation and well-being. I shall extend to you the same courtesy, respect, candor, and dignity that I expect to be extended to me.

To the profession, I offer assistance in keeping it a calling in the spirit of public service, and in promoting its understanding and an appreciation for it by the public. I recognize that my actions and demeanor reflect upon our system of justice and our profession, and I shall conduct myself accordingly.

To the public and our system of justice, I offer service. I shall devote some of my time and skills to community, governmental and other activities that promote the common good. I shall strive to improve the law and our legal system and to make the law and our legal system available to all.

NOMINATED BY: _____

SIGNATURE: _____