



ARIZONA BLACK BAR

2017 ARIZONA BLACK BAR  
EXCELLENCE IN DIVERSITY AWARDS  
NOMINATION FORM

The **ABB Excellence in Diversity Awards** recognize attorneys, law firms, corporations, academic institutions and other agencies that have gone above and beyond to promote, implement, and advance diversity and inclusion in the Arizona legal profession. The ABB Awards Selection Committee will select award recipients. Awards will be presented during the **Hayzel B. Daniels Scholarship Dinner on October 26, 2017.**

**NOMINEE DETAILS:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**SELECT THE TYPE OF AWARD.** The ABB Selection Committee will consider the following criteria in selecting the recipient for each award.

**LAW FIRM/CORPORATE/PUBLIC AGENCY DIVERSITY AWARD**

For an Arizona law firm, corporation, academic institution, non-profit or public agency that demonstrates achievement and sustained commitment to diversity and inclusion in the legal profession for racially and ethnically diverse lawyers in Arizona.

- Employs a diverse workforce, promotes and encourages racially and ethnically diverse attorneys furthering diversity and inclusion in the Arizona legal profession
- Takes specific efforts to advance and promote full and equal participation of racially and ethnically diverse lawyers in the Arizona legal profession
- Demonstrates active participation and leadership in minority bar organizations and community events that promote diversity and inclusion
- Demonstrates corporate responsibility by devoting resources to minority organizations for the improvement of diversity and inclusion in the legal profession, including financial support of non-profit minority organizations boards and committees, Pro bono services benefitting the advancement of diversity and inclusion, sponsorship of minority community events that encourage diversity and inclusion of law students and attorneys or presentations and/or panelists at programs geared to increase the number of minority attorneys in Arizona

**ABB INDIVIDUAL DIVERSITY AWARD**

For an Arizona lawyer who has demonstrated significant leadership, dedication and commitment to full and equal participation of racially and ethnically diverse attorneys within the Arizona legal profession.

- Influenced or mentored racially and ethnically diverse individuals to pursue and/or succeed in the Arizona legal profession
- Regularly reaches out to diverse attorneys by mentoring, coaching and providing direction and encouragement for promotion in the Arizona legal profession
- Participates in community service activities that encourage, promote and broaden the diversity pipeline from law schools, colleges, high schools and community organizations
- Established or spearheaded the creation of a program or group within the individual's law firm or the legal profession to form and implement steps to further the cause of diversity and inclusion in the Arizona legal profession

**ABB RISING STAR AWARD**

For an Arizona Black Bar member with less than eight years of experience who has demonstrated dedication, high achievement and had a significant impact on promoting diversity and inclusion in the Arizona legal profession.

- Record of accomplishments and contributions to the Arizona Black Bar
- Served as mentor, role-model, presenter or speaker to high school, college or law students to promote diversity and inclusion in the Arizona legal profession
- Active member of State Bar Committees, Arizona Supreme Court Committees, Legal Service Boards or other pro bono work
- Significant accomplishments within the Arizona legal profession which impacted diversity and inclusion in the Arizona legal profession

**DESCRIBE WHY NOMINEE SHOULD BE SELECTED.**

Please provide a short statement describing how the Nominee meets the award criteria. Where possible, provide examples to support the statements. (Please limit response to 250 words or less)

**NOMINATED BY:**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Please mail completed form to Obie Saddler, Jr. at Saddler Law Firm, LLC, 4600 E. Washington St. Suite 300, Phoenix, Arizona 85034 or email completed form to [obiesaddler@saddlerlaw.com](mailto:obiesaddler@saddlerlaw.com). If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Obie Saddler, Jr. by email or by phone at 602-714-8887.

**Deadline for submission of nominations is September 8, 2017. Winners will be notified by October 2, 2017.**