



Annual Dinner & Awards Ceremony

Thursday, November 7, 2019
6 pm Cocktail Hour • 7 pm Dinner & Awards

The Grand Baltimore
225 North Charles Street • Baltimore



2019 Award Recipients:

Dorothy Beatty Memorial Award

Tracy Brown

Open Society Institute-Baltimore

Access to Justice Award

Erricka Bridgeford

*Community Mediation Maryland
Baltimore Ceasefire 365*

Rosalyn B. Bell Award

The Honorable Diane O. Leasure (Ret.)

Circuit Court for Howard County

*Help us celebrate another successful year and honor
Maryland's exceptional leaders.*



ABOUT THE WOMEN'S LAW CENTER

As a leading advocate for justice and fairness for women, the Women's Law Center of Maryland, Inc. advocates for the protection and expansion of women's legal rights by providing legal assistance to individuals and strategic initiatives to achieve systemic change. Founded in 1971 as a 501 (c)(3) nonprofit membership organization, the Women's Law Center works to protect the safety, stability and rights of a vulnerable population of predominately low-income women and their families. Legal representation and education projects equip women with resources to address critical issues involving domestic violence law, domestic violence immigration law, family law, and employment law. Using experience gained from work with clients as well as through research and policy analysis, the Women's Law Center compiles first-hand knowledge and facts to inform its advocacy initiatives and other projects that advance equal rights for all Marylanders.

OUR VISION is a legal system that provides justice and fairness for women.

THE MISSION of the Women's Law Center of Maryland is to ensure the physical safety, economic security, and autonomy of women throughout the State. We work towards this goal by providing direct legal representation, information and referral services, and legislative advocacy.

HONORING OUR LEADERS

At its Annual Meeting and Awards Ceremony, the Women's Law Center celebrates distinguished Marylanders who have made dedicated and enterprising contributions to protect and promote justice and fairness for women. The Women's Law Center's Board selects candidates based on research and its extensive knowledge of the Maryland legal community. Each year, the Women's Law Center presents the Dorothy Beatty Award and the Rosalyn B. Bell Award to honor outstanding leaders in the community. The Access to Justice Award is presented in years when significant accomplishments are made to increase access to legal resources.

DOROTHY BEATTY AWARD

The Dorothy Beatty Memorial Award honors an individual or a group that has made significant contributions to the advancement of women's rights. The award was named in memory of Dorothy Beatty in 1986, one of the first members of the Women's Law Center and a Board member for many years.

ROSALYN B. BELL AWARD

The Rosalyn B. Bell Award recognizes outstanding achievement in family law. The Honorable Rosalyn B. Bell, Maryland Court of Special Appeals, Retired, was the first recipient of the award that was named in her honor in 1993.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE AWARD

The Access to Justice Award recognizes an individual who has made significant improvements in access to legal information and services for low-income Marylanders.

Sponsorship Opportunities

CHAMPION OF JUSTICE PRESENTING SPONSOR: \$10,000

- Listing as Champion of Justice Presenting Sponsor in all event related materials, including the the invitation and event program *(subject to print deadlines)*
- Two (2) 10-person tables with VIP seating at the event with the company name displayed on table
- Special acknowledgement at event with the option to address attendees
- Display table during cocktail hour
- Full-page advertisement in the event program
- Recognition as Presenting Sponsor on homepage of the WLC website
- Option to be profiled in the WLC E-newsletter
- Recognition in the Annual Report, social media, and event-related promotions

ADVANCING JUSTICE SPONSOR: \$5,000

- One 10-person table at the event with name or logo displayed on table
- Display table during cocktail hour
- Full page advertisement in the event program
- Recognition as Advancing Justice Sponsor on the WLC website
- Option to be highlighted in the WLC E-newsletter
- Recognition in all event-related materials
- Recognition in the Annual Report, social media, and event-related promotions

CELEBRATING JUSTICE SPONSOR: \$2,500

- One 10-person table at the event with name or logo displayed on table
- Half page advertisement in the event program
- Recognition as Celebrating Justice Sponsor on the WLC website
- Recognition in all event-related materials
- Recognition in the Annual Report, social media, and event-related promotions

FRIEND OF JUSTICE SPONSOR: \$1,500

- One 10-person table at the event with name displayed on table
- Recognition as a Friend of Justice Sponsor in the event program
- Recognition as Friend of Justice Sponsor on the WLC website and event-related materials

Sponsorship Opportunities

COCKTAIL HOUR VENDOR: \$350

- Display table during cocktail hour
- Recognition in the event program, Annual Report, social media, and e-newsletter
- One ticket to the event

EVENT PROGRAM ADVERTISEMENTS

- Full-page (8”h x 5”w) \$500
- Half-page (3 7/8”h x 5”w) \$300
- Quarter-page (3 7/8”h x 2 1/2”w) \$150

Congratulatory message to an award recipient or business advertisement in the program.
Recognition in Annual Report, on WLC website, and in e-newsletter.

***Advertisements should be sent as a JPEG or GIF file in the dimensions listed above.
Ads are Black & White.***

Deadline for advertisements is October 25, 2019.

FOR MORE INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT:

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Past Award Recipients

DOROTHY BEATTY MEMORIAL AWARD

1986	Constance Beims
1987	Honorable Mary Ellen Rinehardt
1988	Delegate Anne Perkins
1989	Anne Gordon
1990	Honorable Robert C. Murphy, Roger Titus
1991	Hon. Kathleen O'Ferrall Friedman, Susan Hardwerger/Tannenbaum, Ann Hoffman, Mardon Walker, Susan Leviton, Ellen Luff, Bea Cowen
1992	Honorable Barbara Mikulski
1993	Judith Wolfer, Bebe Verdery
1994	Honorable Deborah K. Chasanow
1994	Honorable Diana G. Motz, Honorable Irma S. Raker, Honorable Lynne A. Battaglia
1995	Honorable Barbara Kerr Howe, Sayra Wells Meyerhoff
1996	Jayne Miller, Barbara Samuels
1997	Senator Delores Kelley, Delegate Sharon Grosfeld, Delegate Sue Hecht
1998	Honorable Ellen L. Hollander, Melanie C. Pereira
1999	Kathleen F. Shemer
2000	Honorable Sally Denison Adkins
2001	Delegate Maggie L. McIntosh
2002	Dean Karen H. Rothenberg
2003	Lyn P. Meyerhoff Fund
2004	C. Christopher Brown
2005	Judith Vaughn Prather
2006	Wendy L. Kahn, Esq.
2007	Susana SaCouto
2008	Honorable Charlotte Cooksey
2009	Glendora Hughes
2010	Delegate Kathleen Dumais
2011	Planned Parenthood of Maryland
2013	Chief Judge Mary Ellen Barbera
2014	Honorable Barbara Baer Waxman
2015	One Love Foundation
2016	Equal Pay for Equal Work Act - Senator Susan C. Lee & Delegate Kris Valderamma
2017	Lisae C. Jordan, Esq.
2018	Working Matters Coalition

ROSALYN B. BELL AWARD

1993	Honorable Rosalyn B. Bell
1994	Beverly Anne Groner
1995	Professor Jane C. Murphy, Professor Barbara Babb
1996	Atty. General J. Joseph Curran, Jr., Delegate Kenneth Montague, Jr.
1997	Honorable Kathleen O'Ferrall Friedman
1998	Honorable Mary Ellen Rinehardt
1999	Honorable Robert M. Bell
2000	Honorable Albert Matriciani
2001	Honorable Martha F. Rasin
2002	Honorable Louise G. Scrivener
2003	Honorable Marcella A. Holland
2004	Debra Gardner, Deborah Frase
2005	Plaintiffs, Deane & Polyak v. Conaway
2006	Senator Sharon Grosfeld
2007	Leslye E. Orloff
2008	Honorable Ann N. Sundt
2009	Lt. Governor Anthony Brown
2010	Honorable Audrey J. S. Carrion
2011	Honorable Julia Weatherly
2013	Marylanders for Marriage Equality
2014	Honorable Cathy Hollenberg Serrette
2015	Honorable Cynthia Callahan
2016	Honorable Karen C. Friedman
2017	Professor Leigh Goodmark
2018	Susan Carol Elgin, Esq.

ACCESS TO JUSTICE AWARD

1997	Frank Broccolina
2000	Jane Wiley
2003	Maryann Z. Fiebach
2004	Honorable Dale R. Cathell
2005	Rhonda Lipkin
2006	Honorable J. Joseph Curran, Jr.
2007	Patricia Chiriboga-Roby
2008	Susan Erlichman
2009	Louise Carwell
2010	Sharon E. Goldsmith
2011	Sidney Ford
2013	Dorothy Lennig
2014	Martina E. Vandenberg
2016	Ward B. Coe, III
2017	Connie Kratovil-Lavelle
2018	Bonnie A. Sullivan

40TH ANNIVERSARY AWARD WINNERS

In celebration of our 40th Anniversary in 2012, rather than presenting our traditional awards, we selected one recipient from each decade of our 40 year history. Each honoree played a pivotal role during the decade and has maintained passionate support for and connection to the Women's Law Center.

1970s	Sally Gold
1980s	Claire Smearman
1990s	Susan Carol Elgin, Esq.
2000s	Students Supporting the Women's Law Center



Sponsor Response Form

Organization: _____

Yes! I will support the Women's Law Center of Maryland's 2019 Annual Dinner & Awards Ceremony as an event sponsor:

- Champion of Justice Presenting Sponsor (\$10,000)
- Advancing Justice Sponsor (\$5,000)
- Celebrating Justice Sponsor (\$2,500)
- Friend of Justice Sponsor (\$1,500)

I would like to support the event as:

- Cocktail Hour Vendor (\$350)

I would like to purchase an advertisement or send a congratulatory message in the event program:

- Full page (\$500)
- Quarter page (\$150)
- Half page (\$300)

I would like to purchase tickets to the event:

- Member (\$100)
of tickets _____
- Non-member (\$110)
of tickets _____

I cannot attend, but please accept my tax-deductible contribution of \$_____ to the Women's Law Center of Maryland.

Please complete the contact and payment information on the back side of this form and return by mail to:

Women's Law Center of Maryland
305 West Chesapeake Avenue, Suite 201
Towson, MD 21204

By fax: 410.321.0462

By email: tstjohn@wlc.md.org

Contact Information:

Business Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Payment Information:

- Check enclosed (*Payable to the Women's Law Center of Maryland*)
- Send me an invoice
- Charge my: Visa MasterCard American Express

Card No.: _____ Exp. Date: _____

Signature: _____ Security Code: _____

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