



2025 APEX AWARDS

ACKNOWLEDGING PROFESSIONAL EXCELLENCE

NOMINATION FORM

The WSBA APEX (Acknowledging Professional Excellence) Awards go to those who have made noteworthy contributions and achievements in public service, government service, professionalism, pro bono work, diversity, and other areas. To nominate an individual or group for an APEX award, please submit this form and additional materials as described below. All materials must be emailed to **barleaders@wsba.org** by **February 28, 2025**.

Nominations will be reviewed by the WSBA APEX Awards Committee, which will make recommendations to the Board of Governors. The award winners will be selected at the May Board of Governors meeting.

1. Complete the form and email to **barleaders@wsba.org** by **February 28, 2025**.
2. Email additional supporting material/documentation.
3. Questions? Email **barleaders@wsba.org** or call 206-727-8289.

WHOM ARE YOU NOMINATING?

Name of Nominee: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

AWARD(S) YOU ARE NOMINATING THEM FOR:

(See www.wsba.org/awards for descriptions of the awards)

Angelo Petrus Award for Lawyers in Government Service

Chief Justice Mary E. Fairhurst Award of Merit

The Justice Charles Z. Smith Excellence in Diversity Award

Legal Innovation Award

Lifetime Service Award

Norm Maleng Leadership Award

(presented jointly with the Access to Justice Board.)

Outstanding Judge Award

Outstanding Young Lawyer Award

Pro Bono and Public Service Award: Individual

Pro Bono and Public Service Award: Group

Professionalism Award

Sally P. Savage Leadership in Philanthropy Award

(presented jointly with the Washington State Bar Foundation.)

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NOMINATOR(S):

Name of Primary Nominator: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

Additional Nominators: _____

Phone: _____

Email: _____

WHY ARE YOU MAKING THIS NOMINATION?

Nominee deserves this award because: *(Please be as detailed as possible, use examples, and take as much space as you need or attach a separate letter/document.)*

List any additional accomplishments and contributions made by the nominee that should be brought to the attention of the WSBA APEX Awards Committee: *(Use as much space as you need or attach a separate letter/document.)*

SUPPORTING MATERIALS OR LETTERS

- Feel free to provide any materials the WSBA APEX Awards Committee might find useful, such as the nominee’s resume or CV, biography, media clippings, photos, previous recognition, etc. Please email materials to barleaders@wsba.org with the nominee’s name in the subject line or email them along with this nomination form. For supporting material available on the internet (such as social media posts, articles, websites, etc.), please include a PDF copy of the material rather than a link.
- You are encouraged to ask others to provide letters in support of your nomination. They should email their letters of support to barleaders@wsba.org by February 28, 2025, with the nominee’s name in the subject line. Please ask supporters to note that their letter is in support of your nomination.

➔ DEADLINE FOR ALL MATERIALS IS FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 28, 2025 ⬅

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