

Rhode Island Bar Association 2017 Dorothy Lohmann Community Service Award

The Rhode Island Bar Association is seeking nominations for the 2017 Dorothy Lohmann Community Service Award recognizing Rhode Island attorneys who donate their time and legal expertise for charitable work. It is given to those whose efforts most closely reflect those of Rhode Attorney Dorothy Lohmann. Ms. Lohmann devoted her entire professional life working to help the poor. She tirelessly employed her talents as an intelligent and skillful lawyer working for the most vulnerable people in our society. She was known as an expert in poverty law, landlord tenant disputes, public assistance problems and domestic relations. Though she only lived a short time, her impression was deep. She brought hope to folks who had given up on the system, and brought justice to people who had experienced injustice. Dot did not stop at providing legal assistance to her clients. She volunteered her services at many human service organizations and advocated for laws and policies to relieve the suffering of the poor and disenfranchised. Dorcas Place, Parent-Literacy Center, McAuley House, Amos House, St. Michael Parish community, Rhode Island Rape Crisis Center, Rhode Island Legal Services, Sojourner House, Women's Development Corporation, and the Catholic Inner City Office all know the value this lawyer brought to their organizations and the people they serve.

Award Nomination Requirements

- 1) Nominations are accepted from representatives of organizations where Rhode Island attorneys have devoted a significant amount of their time and efforts on a strictly voluntary, non-paid basis.
- 2) Nominations must include the requested information noted below including the attorney's name; the name, address and telephone number of the nominating organization; the name, title and telephone number of the nominator.
- 3) The Rhode Island Bar Association's Dorothy Lohmann Awards Committee is particularly interested in attorney actions that most closely reflect those of the Award's namesake as detailed above. Nominations must include a letter specifically detailing:
 - a) **A brief description of the nominating organization.**
 - b) **The nominated attorney's contributions to the organization. The Awards Committee wants to know how attorneys volunteered their legal expertise in assisting the organization.**
 - c) **The length of time the attorney has provided these contributions.**
 - d) **The results of the attorney's contributions toward furthering the organization's mission and goals.**
- 4) **All nominations are due** at the Rhode Island Bar Association no later than **12:00 noon, Monday, March 17, 2017**. Postal mail, email, or fax nominations, and direct questions to: Helen D. McDonald, Executive Director, Rhode Island Bar Association, 41 Sharpe Drive, Cranston, RI 02920.
email: hmcDonald@ribar.com ; fax: 401-421-2703; telephone: 401-421-5740

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In addition to the information noted below, all nominations must include a prose narrative detailing: a brief description of the nominating organization; how the nominated attorney volunteered her or his legal expertise to the organization; the length of time the attorney has provided these contributions; the results of the attorney's contributions toward furthering the organization's mission and goals.

Attorney's name: _____

Nominating organization: _____

Organization postal address: _____

Organization telephone number: _____

Name, title and telephone number of the person submitting the nomination:

name and title

telephone number

If you have any questions concerning the Award Nomination process, please contact Helen D. McDonald at the Rhode Island Bar Association by telephone: (401) 421-5740 or email: hmcDonald@ribar.com