

## Victoria M. Almeida Servant Leader Award

Named for its first recipient, Victoria M. Almeida, this Rhode Island Bar Association award is presented to an individual who demonstrates the principles and values of servant leadership and who is a beacon of light and hope to others by illuminating the path to greater justice for all. A servant leader is one who puts the needs of an organization or others before oneself. A servant leader has the innate quality of wanting to serve others and, for that reason, a servant leader takes care to ensure the needs of others are met.

The Award Committee is particularly interested in candidates whose actions most closely reflect those of the award's namesake. Such commitment and extraordinary effort may be demonstrated by the nominee's:

- ability to lead by putting the collective well-being of others and the legal community before him/herself
- encouraging others to develop and perform at their best
- understanding of the importance of civility and goodness
- excellent communication skills, dependability, trustworthiness, and intuitiveness

The Victoria M. Almeida Servant Leader Award Committee welcomes nominations of all qualified candidates, including those of diverse backgrounds and from underrepresented identity groups.

Please postal mail or email your nomination, including a written report detailing how the nominee meets the criteria and your name and telephone number and email address, no later than March 15, 2024, to:

2024 Victoria M. Almeida Servant Leader Award Committee c/o Erin R. Cute Rhode Island Bar Association 41 Sharpe Drive Cranston, RI 02920 telephone: (401) 421-5740 email: <u>ecute@ribar.com</u>