



Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger Judicial Excellence Award

The Rhode Island Bar Association's *Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger Judicial Excellence Award*, named in honor of its first recipient, the late Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger, is presented to a judge of the Rhode Island State Courts or Federal District Court for exemplifying and encouraging the highest level of competence, integrity, judicial temperament, ethical conduct and professionalism. The nominee is selected by a Bar committee appointed by the President of the Rhode Island Bar Association.

The Awards 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:

- Efficiently, expeditiously and objectively managing of cases and dockets
- Respectful and even-handed control of activities within the courtroom
- Innovative and creative dealing with the processes within the courtroom
- Extraordinary courage, energy and tenacity in the handling of high profile, controversial, or difficult cases
- Respect from other judges, court staff, lawyers and others
- Exemplification of the highest standards of judicial excellence throughout a distinguished career

The Chief Justice Joseph R. Weisberger Judicial Excellence Award Committee welcomes nominations of all qualified candidates, including those of diverse backgrounds and from underrepresented identity groups.

To nominate a member of the Rhode Island Judiciary, please send your nomination by postal mail or email, including supporting information (as suggested above), along with your name, telephone number, and email address, no later than March 14, 2025, to:

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