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## **2017 Lerner's LLP/WLAO Elizabeth Grace Emerging Leaders Award**

**Lerner's LLP** has established the **Lerner's LLP/WLAO Elizabeth Grace Emerging Leaders Award** to recognize women in law who are emerging leaders in their fields. The award aims to recognize practical, policy and/or academic law-related work, leadership and contributions in areas that advance the understanding of sexual and/or domestic violence and abuse, or otherwise advances the rights and interests of vulnerable persons who have suffered and/or are at risk of suffering such violence and abuse.

### **Award Criteria:**

1. Nominees should be Ontario-based female lawyers or others engaged in the law with 10 years or less of experience.
2. Complete the nomination form and submit a maximum three page letter outlining qualified projects or contributions the nominee has initiated, with supporting documentation.
3. Letters of support or recommendation from individuals or organizations (a maximum three two-page letters). Letters must accompany the nomination form.

### **Constituent elements of award and recognition to honouree:**

A \$1000 charitable donation will be paid to a \*charity or non-profit organization of the winner's choice which advocates for or otherwise supports persons who are disadvantaged, disenfranchised and/or have suffered sexual and/or domestic violence or abuse.

The recipient of the award will be an honoured guest at the WLAO Award night in June 2017 at which time she will be presented with an engraved plaque commemorating the recognition. After the presentation of the award, the recipient is invited to join Elizabeth Grace for a private lunch at a date to be mutually agreed.

\* The proposed charity or non-profit organization must be acceptable to Lerner's.

**Nomination deadline April 28, 2017**

For the nomination to be valid, please fill in the information requested on second page of this document, sign the form, and have the nominee sign the form indicating her consent to the nomination.

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### Nomination Form

For the nomination to be valid, all sections of this form must be completed and submitted.

#### To be completed by Nominator:

I, \_\_\_\_\_, at \_\_\_\_\_,  
hereby nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for this Award.

The above noted individual has practical, policy and/or academic law-related work, leadership and contributions in areas that advance the understanding of sexual and/or domestic violence and abuse, or otherwise advances the rights and interests of vulnerable persons who have suffered and/or are at risk of suffering such violence and abuse.

Qualifying project or contribution: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Signature of Nominator: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### To be completed by Nominee:

I hereby agree to the nomination: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Signature of nominee)

Nominee Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City and Province: \_\_\_\_\_ Postal Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Nomination Submission

Please return completed nomination form along with a Letter of Nomination outlining the candidate's activities that merit the award (maximum 3 pages). Please have the nominee forward copies of project details, law school transcripts (where applicable), curriculum vitae, and a maximum of three (3) two-page letters of support to you, electronically, by **April 28, 2017**.

Please send nomination with the Re/Subject line "WLAO Elizabeth Grace Emerging Leaders Award 2017" **via email only** to Megan Quinlan, [mquinlan@lerner.ca](mailto:mquinlan@lerner.ca), and copy [wlaocogeco.ca](mailto:wlaocogeco.ca).