



The WLAO President's Award recognizes a woman who has made a substantial contribution to the legal community as an academic, adjudicator, litigator, solicitor, author, or related profession. The recipient must demonstrate a commitment to the promotion of women in the law and be recognized as a leader. Encompassing the ideals of the Women's Law Association, the recipient of the President's Award will be engaged, aware and connected to issues, substantive and personal, facing women in the legal profession today. The Award may also be presented to a firm or organization exemplifying the ideals for which it is given.

If you are, or know a person, deserving of the recognition, we invite you to submit a nomination. In order for the nomination to be valid, we ask that you fill in the information requested below, sign the form, and return it to the address or fax number listed below. WLAO Executive will then contact the nominee for her consent to the nomination. **Nominations must be received by April 14, 2023.**

Criteria for recipient(s) to include:

1. Advances the interests of women in the legal profession through; advocacy; professional achievements; success in practice; progressive reform and; equitable policies.
2. Provides mentorship to women in the legal profession;
3. Recognized as a leader within the specific area of practice;
4. Is a member or past member of WLAO, or is supportive of WLAO and its initiatives;
5. Has a strong commitment to improve the quality of life for people of equity seeking groups, including women;
6. Will encourage support for WLAO;
7. The individual must be in good standing with LSO and must abide by the *Rules of Professional Conduct*;

I, _____ being a member in good standing with the Women's Law Association of Ontario, hereby nominate _____ for the President's Award.

The above noted person has contributed to the profession and the community in the following ways:

Signature of Nominator: _____

Address: _____

City and Province: _____ Postal Code: _____

Telephone: _____ Fax: _____ Email: _____

Please return scanned completed nomination form by April 14, 2023 (no extensions) to:

Women's Law Association of Ontario
Email: president@wla0.on.ca AND copy wla01919@gmail.com Fax: 416-410-7267

This form can also be obtained from our website at www.wla0.on.ca

Past President's Award Recipients

2022 Professor Mary Jane Mossman	2004 Beth Symes Marlys Edwardh
2021 Joanna Birenbaum	2003 Janet E. Minor
2020 Dr. Signa Daum Shanks (Osgoode Hall Law School)	2002 Linda Silver Dranoff Avvy Yao-Yao Go
2019 The Honourable Justice Rosalie Silberman Abella	2001 Professor Constance Backhouse
2018 Arleen Huggins	2000 Not awarded
2017 Legal Education and Action Fund (LEAF)	1999 Sanda Rodgers, Margaret Ross Madam Justice Lynn D. Ratushney
2016 May Cheng	1998 Susan Elliott The Honourable Judge Mary Jane Hatton
2015 The Barbra Schlifer Clinic	1997 Marilou McPhedran V. Maureen Kempston-Darkes
2014 Elizabeth Grace	1996 Madam Justice Louise Arbour Carole Curtis Juanita Westmoreland-Traore
2013 Professor Marilyn Pilkington and Judith Huddart	1995 Madam Justice Mabel Van Camp
2012 Delia Opekokew	1994 Marva Jemmott Q.C.
2011 Laurie Pawlitza	1993 Mary Eberts
2010 Bonnie Tough	1992 Francis Kitley
2009 Barbara Hendrikson	1991 The Honourable Bertha Wilson
2008 Kirby Chown	1990 Margaret Hyndman Q.C. Jane Pepino
2007 The Honourable Madam Justice Sandra Chapnik	
2006 Elizabeth Atcheson	
2005 Madam Justice Susanne R. Goodman Mary Louise Dickson, Q.C.	
Past Presidents of WLAO Awarded 1989 June Bushell Margaret Fasken Baird Campbell Madam Justice Tamarin Dunnet Patricia Drozdoski	Margaret Turvey Haig Judith Hendy Mary Lamont Laura Legge Fern Levis
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