Community Spirit/Pro Bono Award Nomination Criteria

AWARD DESCRIPTION:
The Community Spirit/Pro Bono Award is designed to recognize the contributions and accomplishments of IPMA members who volunteer their time and expertise or provide valuable pro bono legal services in the “public good” to their respective communities, to a nationally recognized cause, or for people who are disenfranchised due to lack of adequate income due to being a member of a special population (i.e. homeless, AIDS patients, domestic violence victims or the elderly). Examples would include, but are not limited to the following:

- Participating as a member on a Board of Directors for a school or library
- Getting involved in an organization to promote awareness of legislative action regarding a medical breakthrough such as AIDS
- Being a boy/girl scout leader, or a big brother/big sister
- Volunteering for charitable or not-for-profit organizations, such as Gilda’s Club or American Cancer Society
- Assisting the elderly with the preparation of specific legal documents/forms
- Participating in AIDS Walk to raise money for awareness

REQUIREMENT FOR THE AWARD:
The nominee must have played a significant role in creating, developing, supporting or promoting an important initiative or made a significant contribution that positively impacts his/her community, organization or cause and must have been involved with the respective organization for at least one year.

QUALIFICATION FOR THE AWARD:
Any Regular, Associate, Life, Emeritus, or an individual who is employed by a company where there is a Business Partner membership may qualify and/or apply for the Award.

GENERAL CRITERIA FOR THE AWARD:
The general criteria required for determination of the Award recipient(s) shall include, but not be limited to, the following:

1. The nominee must have provided a service or demonstrated a positive impact to the community/organization/committee that resulted in the accomplishment of a significant goal or successful result.
2. The nominee must have enhanced the pro bono services rendered to the community/organization/committee.
3. The nominee must have been involved in pro bono legal services designed to target that portion of the population that cannot otherwise afford to seek legal assistance.
4. The individual must exhibit outstanding commitment to volunteer or pro bono services.

The Award shall not be based solely on the number or people for whom the services were offered nor the number of hours provided. It is designed to acknowledge the dedication and motivation of an individual practice manager by their own efforts or their employer.

The winning recipient(s) shall receive a $200.00 gift to be given to the charity/not-for-profit organization of their choice. The recipient(s) will also be honored at the Annual Meeting Luncheon during the IPMA’s Annual Conference & Expo and be given a small gift in recognition of the Award.

NOMINATIONS:
Any Regular, Associate, Life, Emeritus, Academic, Individual Business Partner or an individual representative of a Corporate Business Partner IPMA member can nominate a qualified nominee. The Committee will also consider self-nominations.

SELECTION PROCESS:
The Awards Committee will select the Award recipient(s) and announce the winner(s) at the Annual Conference. The Awards Committee may designate up to two (2) recipients for the Award each year. The Awards Committee may choose not to present this award at its discretion.
Community Spirit/Pro Bono Award Nomination Form
Attach Additional Pages If Necessary

Nominated by: 
First               Middle Initial               Last

Phone: 

Email: 

Nominee Name: 
First               Middle Initial               Last

Position/Title: 

Employer: 

Address: 

City:               State/Province:               Country:               ZIP/Postal: 

Phone:               E-mail: 

Organization Name: 

Organization Contact: 

Phone:               Email: 

Please describe the contributions of the Nominee: 

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Thank you for your nomination.
Return this form to the IPMA Awards Committee by 
August 16, 2019
awards@theipma.org