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LIBERTY BELL AWARD



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LIBERTY BELL AWARD

The purpose of the Liberty Bell Award is to recognize the community service that has strengthened the American System of freedom under the law, and to accord public recognition for outstanding service in one of these areas:

1. Promoting a better understanding of our Constitution and the Bill of Rights;
2. Encourage a greater respect for law and the courts;
3. Stimulate a deeper sense of individual responsibility so that citizens recognize their duties as well as their rights;
4. Contribute to the effective functioning of our institutions of government; and
5. Foster a better understanding and appreciation of the rule of law.

ELIGIBILITY: *Any individual who has rendered outstanding service to his or her community in any of the areas mentioned above may be considered eligible. All fields of endeavor are intended for inclusion.*

Liberty Bell Award Past Recipients:

1965	Dr. Joseph Manch <i>Superintendent of Schools</i>	1988	Ralph Dubard (posthumously)
1966	Neil O'Donnell <i>Police Athletic League</i>	1989	Sister Edmunette Puczesny
1967	Alfred H. Kirchhofer, Editor <i>Buffalo Evening News</i>	1990	William Shipengrover
1968	Rt. Rev. Harold B. Robinson <i>Bishop, Episcopal Church</i>	1991	Norstar Bank, N.A.
1969	Claude F. Shuchter, President <i>Manufacturers & Traders Trust Co.</i>	1992	Assemblyman William B. Hoyt (posthumously)
1970	William R. Bailey, Asst. V.P. & Mgr. <i>Marine Trust Company of WNY</i>	1993	Henry J. Nowak
1971	William J. Troy <i>United Steel Workers of America</i> George L. Wessel, President <i>Buffalo AFL-CIO</i>	1994	Hon. John J. LaFalce
1972	Anne McMatthews, Feature Writer <i>Canisius College</i>	1995	Hon. Dennis C. Vacco
1973	Rev. James M. Demske, President <i>Canisius College</i> Whitworth Ferguson, President <i>Ferguson Electric Construction Co.</i>	1996	Leroy R. Coles
1975	William D. Hassett, Jr., President <i>W.D. Hassett, Inc.</i>	1997	Kids Voting New York
1976	Thomas W. Ryan (posthumously) <i>Former Sheriff of Erie County and former County Republican Chairman</i>	1998	Hon. John T. Curtin
1977	Amherst Central Junior High School	1999	Hon. Denise E. O'Donnell
1978	Dr. Ralph W. Loew	2000	The One Hundred Club of Buffalo & WNY, Inc.
1979	Dr. Marvin A. Block	2001	University at Buffalo Law School Trial Advocacy Program
1980	William C. Baird	2002	Neil M. Garvey, Esq. and Mickey H. Osterreicher, Esq.
1981	Florence E. Baugh, President <i>Board of Education, Buffalo Schools</i>	2003	William R. Greiner, President <i>State University of New York at Buffalo</i>
1982	Norman Goldfarb <i>Citizens Council on Human Relations</i>	2004	Rev. Vincent M. Cooke, President, <i>Canisius College</i>
1983	Delmar L. Mitchell, City Council President	2005	Maj. William D. Broderick, Jr., Lt. Colonel Robert C. Moscati, Cpt. David State, First Lt. Christopher Wisniewski, Cpt. Christopher 1974 Glascott, <i>Judge Advocate Generals</i>
1984	James Kelleher, Kenmore Police Dept. <i>Youth Bureau</i> Thomas Hinchey, Kenmore Police Dept.	2006	Robert D. Lonski, Administrator, Assigned Counsel Program
1985	Daniel E. Barry, Jr. <i>The Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc.</i>	2007	City of Buffalo Mayor's Anti-Flipping Task Force
1986	Hospice of Buffalo, Inc.	2008	Scott Gehl, Executive Director, HOME
1987	Rev. A. Joseph Bissonette (posthumously)	2009	Western New York Law Center, Inc.
		2010	Nancy Brady, Ronald DiNicolantonio, Mary Knab <i>Mock Trial Tournament Teacher Coaches</i>
		2011	John J. O'Connor, Mentor Coordinator <i>Buffalo Veteran's Treatment Court, Buffalo City Court</i>
		2012	Matthew J. Garvey, President <i>Lawyers for Learning Program</i>
		2013	New York State Senator Mark Grisanti, <i>60th Senate District</i>
		2014	Gary Janas, <i>Teacher, Orchard Park High School</i>
		2015	Kathleen C. Hochul, <i>Lieutenant Governor of the State of NY</i>
		2016	Bethany A. Solek, <i>District Attorney's Office</i>
		2017	Craig R. Bucki, <i>Mock Trial Program Chair</i>
		2018	Peter J. Galie, Ph.D. (Ret., <i>Canisius College</i>) & Fidéle Menavanza, Paralegal, <i>Center for Elder Law & Justice</i>
		2019	The James Otis Lecture Series
		2020	Hon. Kevin M. Carter & Hon. Brenda M. Freedman, <i>EC Family Ct.</i>
		2021	MBA of WNY Criminal Justice Task Force & Stephanie Peete
		2022	Christine L. Farrow, Ph.D., <i>Commissioner of Jurors</i>
		2023	Marianne Mariano, <i>Federal Public Defender, WDNY</i> <i>Continued</i>

Liberty Bell Award Past Recipients continued:

2024 Hon. John J. Flynn, Jr.
Erie County District Attorney (2017-2024)
Lippes Mathias, LLP

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SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD



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SPECIAL SERVICE AWARD

Such award shall be presented during the Law Day ceremonies or at such other time as the Board of Directors shall designate.

PURPOSE: To recognize outstanding service to the legal profession thus strengthening the effective function of the legal profession, our institutions of government and the judicial system.

CRITERIA: The award will recognize service to the legal profession. Such service would include:

1. Courteous treatment of members of the legal profession;
2. Efficient handling of duties;
3. Cooperation with members of the legal profession; and
4. Willingness to extend himself/herself for the good of the legal profession and the public.

ELIGIBILITY: Any person who is not a lawyer and who is connected with the courts or other governmental department or agency including administrative bodies.

Special Service Award Past Recipients:

1974	Charles N. Orlando <i>Deputy Erie County Clerk</i>	1997	Sharon Thomas
1975	Anna Lee Gagnon <i>Associate Court Clerk Criminal Records Room, Buffalo City Court</i>	1998	Katherine S. Bifaro, <i>Executive Director, BAEC</i>
1976	Mildred Bauer <i>Mortgage Tax Examiner County Clerk's Office</i>	1999	Rosanne Marranca
1977	Beverly Bullion <i>Assistant Surrogate's Court Clerk</i>	2000	Barbara Ann Mahoney (posthumously) <i>Erie County Family Court</i>
1978	Thomas V. Lyons <i>Former Deputy Court Clerk</i>	2001	Charlene Weishaupt, Erie County Court Clerk
1979	Loretta K. Knoll (nee Botsford) <i>Former Judgment Clerk Buffalo City Court</i>	2002	Mehrl F. King, Erie County Commissioner of Jurors
1980	Alda M. Koelsch <i>Former Special Deputy Sup. Ct. Clerk</i>	2003	Gloria Mularski, Clerk, Erie County Family Court
1981	Raymond J. McMahon <i>Former Chief Clerk Buffalo City Court</i>	2004	Jeffrey D. Smith, Principal Program Analyst <i>Eighth Judicial District</i>
1982	Frederick Deuschle (posthumously) <i>Vice President, Title Guaranty Co.</i>	2005	Jean Marie McCarthy, Operations Supervisor <i>United States District Court, WDNY</i>
1983	Lily F. Jacobs <i>Calendar Clerk, Erie County Hall</i>	2006	Ginger B. Maiman, Resource Counselor <i>Erie County Bar Foundation</i> Gary E. Light, BAEC Outreach Committee
1984	Anne M. Moore, Deputy Clerk <i>United States Bankruptcy Court</i>	2007	Janet Curry, Judicial Assistant, US District Court
1985	Helen Murdough, Erie County Surrogate's Ct.	2008	Rodney C. Early, Clerk of the Court <i>United States District Court, WDNY</i>
1986	Nora J. Whalen <i>Supreme Court Matrimonial Calendar</i>	2009	Michelle A. Pierce, Chief Deputy Clerk <i>United States Bankruptcy Court, WDNY</i>
1987	Thomas "Stretch" McMahon, Supreme Court <i>Chief Civil Calendar Clerk</i>	2010	Barbara J. Mahoney, Scheduling Coordinator <i>Martin P. Violante ADR Program, 8th District</i>
1988	Jeanette Pleger	2011	Oliver C. Young, Principal Court Attorney <i>Eighth Judicial District</i>
1989	Antoinette M. Dimino, Ex Parte Clerk	2012	Nora J. Whalen, Principal Court Analyst <i>Eighth Judicial District</i>
1990	Ruby S. Green, Chair <i>Erie County Citizen's Committee on Rape, NYS Sexual Assault and Sexual Abuse, Inc.</i>	2013	Kamilah M. Archibald & Ronald Coleman, <i>Case Managers, DUI Court, Buffalo City Court</i>
1991	Betty Virostro <i>Assistant Clerk to Hon. Norman Stiller</i>	2014	Dilma Rosales, <i>Paralegal Coordinator, VLP</i>
1992	Richard Holzman, Erie County Family Court	2015	Bernadette Maguda, <i>Lead Case Technician for the Social Security Administration Office</i>
1993	Karen Bolm	2016	Christine C. Biggie, <i>Volunteer Attorney Coordinator, VLP</i>
1994	Erie County Sheriff's Court Division	2017	Ana Brignoni-Waliczek, Principal Court Interpreter Supreme Court
1995	Natalie Wood	2018	Tiffany Szymanek Pavone, Director of Operations, <i>Family Justice Center & Denise J. Daniels, Courtroom Deputy Clerk to Hon. Richard J. Arcara</i>
1996	Dolores McCoy	2019	Maureen Kielt, Senior Federal Investigator, U.S. Equal Opportunity Commission
		2020	Alicia M. Tabliago, Resource Coordinator Buffalo Human Trafficking Intervention Court, Buffalo City Court
		2021	Anne M. Noble & the BAEC Staff

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Special Service Award Past Recipients continued:

- 2022 211 WNY
- 2023 Kelly Bainbridge, *ECBF Resource Counselor & Ilene Fleischmann, Vice Dean for Alumni, Executive Director UB Law Alumni Association, UB School of Law*
- 2024 Heidi J. Mahon, BAEC Comptroller

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POLICE OFFICER AWARD

Nominations shall be made by the Criminal Law Committee



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POLICE OFFICER AWARD

PURPOSE: To recognize law enforcement service which strengthens the effectiveness of the American system of justice and freedom under the law.

CRITERIA: The award will recognize outstanding law enforcement service in keeping with the spirit of the Constitution which imposes upon police officers the unique duty to balance the rights of society against the rights of the accused. Among the activities, achievements, and qualities to be considered shall be included:

1. Conduct which demonstrates an understanding of the Constitution and especially the Bill of Rights;
2. Conduct which encourages respect for the law and the rule of law;
3. Conduct which promotes and contributes to a better understanding of, respect for, and effective functioning of the judicial process;
4. Cooperation with the legal community; and
5. Conduct which demonstrates a concern for society and appreciation for the dignity of all persons.

ELIGIBILITY: Any law enforcement officer of any law enforcement agency whose jurisdiction includes or encompasses any part of Erie County.

CANDIDATE SELECTION: **Nominations shall be made by the Criminal Law Committee.** The Criminal Law Committee shall then recommend a recipient to the Board of Directors. A majority vote of the Board of Directors shall be required for approval.

Police Officer Award Past Recipients:

1967	Det. Sergeant Charles Quinn <i>Buffalo Police Dept.</i> Lester W. Grawunder <i>Erie County Sheriff</i> Major John P. Nohlen <i>NYS Police Dept.</i>	1975	Det. Sergt. Vincent Andolino <i>Buffalo Police, Precinct 16</i>
1968	Cpt. Peter A. Scaccio <i>Erie County Sheriff</i> Cpt. Henry Williams <i>NYS Police Dept.</i>	1976	Cpt. Floyd Edwards <i>Buffalo Police, Precinct 16</i>
1969	Thomas Blair, Buffalo Police Dennis Murphy <i>Erie County Sheriff</i> Ronald Dennis, NYS Police	1977	Joseph J. Weir, Principal Guard <i>Erie County Holding Center</i>
1970	Richard Weltz, NYS Police	1978	Kenneth J. Braun <i>Erie County Sheriff</i>
1971	Cpt. Patrick Morrissey <i>Buffalo Police Dept.</i> Frank Festa, Erie Cty. Sheriff Sen. Investig. Lloyd Schwab <i>NYS Police Dept.</i>	1979	Det. Sergeant Edwin Gorski <i>Buffalo Police Dept.</i>
1972	Cpt. Carroll Lyman <i>Buffalo Police Dept.</i> Cpt. Samuel Giordano <i>Erie County Sheriff</i> Cpt. Jack Miller, NYS Police	1980	Joe C. Formen, Superintendent <i>Erie County Holding Center</i>
1973	Leo Donovan, Buffalo Police Salvatore Faletta <i>Erie County Sheriff</i> John Russell, NYS Police Larry Hoffman <i>Town of Tonawanda Police</i>	1981	Stephen R. Pikus, Dir. Training <i>Central Police Services</i> <i>Law Enforcement Train. Acad.</i>
1974	Will McLean, Buffalo Police Patricia Schlessinger <i>Erie County Sheriff</i> Thomas J. Kenny, NYS Police Cpt. John T. Maccarone <i>Town of Depew Police Dept.</i>	1982	Lt. Thomas E. Rowan <i>Cheektowaga Police Dept.</i>
		1983	Det. Glen R. Mayne <i>Erie County Sheriff's Dept.</i>
		1984	Lt. Russel Baker
		1985	Det. Henry Kozierowski <i>West Seneca Police Dept.</i>
		1986	Lt. Raymond P. "Sam" Slade <i>NYS Police, BCI</i>
		1987	Lt. Richard K. LeRoy and Investigators James Daly and John Byrne <i>Operation "Snow Flake"</i>
		1988	Detectives Robert Chella and James Murphy <i>Buffalo Police, Precinct 6</i>
		1989	Raul Russi, Superintendent <i>Erie County Holding Center</i>
		1990	Det. Sergeant Joseph Ransford
		1991	Lt. Paul Reinig, Buffalo Police
		1992	Det. Joseph D. LaRosa
		1993	Kevin D. Daniels

Police Officer Award Past Recipients continued.

1994	Richard T. Donovan	2017	Officer Tommy Champion <i>Buffalo Police Department</i>
1995	Det. Harold F. Frank, Jr.	2018	Craig E. Lehner, <i>Buffalo Police Lieutenant</i> (posthumously)
1996	Chief Charles Fieramusca	2019	Lieutenant Craig Macy (NET), <i>Buffalo Police Department</i>
1997	Lt. Sam M. McCune <i>Orchard Park Police Dept.</i>	2020	Chief D.J. Granville Erie County Sheriff's Office, Narcotics and Intelligence Unit
1998	Officer Charles "Skip" McDougald (posthumously)	2021	Captain Steven Nichols & Officer Anthony LeBron, <i>Buffalo Police</i> <i>Department</i>
1999	Chief John B. Askey <i>Amherst Police Dept.</i>	2022	Retired Buffalo Police Commissioner Byron Lockwood
2000	Lawrence Schwegler <i>Assistant District Attorney</i> Det. Sergeant Henry M. Smardz Det. Raniero Masecchia <i>Buffalo Police Dept.</i>	2023	Clint Winters, <i>FBI Supervisory Special Agent,</i> <i>Safe Streets Task Force</i>
2001	Joseph Riga, Chief of Homicide <i>Buffalo Police Dept.</i>	2024	Richard Drew, <i>Retired, Erie County Sheriff's</i> <i>Office</i>
2002	Crystalea Burns-Pelletier, <i>First Deputy Police</i> <i>Commissioner, Buffalo Police Dept</i>		
2003	Det. William Krier and Det. Brian Moline <i>Town of Tonawanda Police Dept.</i>		
2004	Lt. James Koch <i>Town of Hamburg Police Dept.</i>		
2005	Rocco Diina <i>Buffalo Police Commissioner</i>		
2006	Sr. Investigator Edward Kennedy Investigator Josh Keats Investigator Thomas Spulecki <i>New York State Police</i>		
2007	Buffalo Police Officers Carl Andolina & Patricia Parete		
2008	Multi-Agency Bike Path Rapist Task Force		
2009	Edward Needham, FBI		
2010	Buffalo Det. Sgt. James Lonergan		
2011	Senior Investigator Kevin Kendall <i>New York State Police</i>		
2012	Deputy Elizabeth Rodriguez Fildes <i>Erie County Sheriff's Office</i>		
2013	Homicide Investigator Mary Evans, <i>Buffalo Police Department</i>		
2014	Detective Brian G. Ross, <i>Buffalo Police Department</i>		
2015	Joseph Dubreville, <i>Special Agent</i> (Ret.), <i>Dept of Homeland Security &</i> Christopher S. Weber, <i>Senior</i> <i>Investigator, New York State Police</i>		
2016	Detective David A. Kubiak (Ret.), <i>Amherst Police Department</i>		

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JUSTICE AWARD



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JUSTICE AWARD

The Justice Award, to be presented from time-to-time, to an individual, lawyer or non-lawyer, whose efforts have substantially contributed to the improvement of the justice system.

Justice Award Past Recipients:

- 1986 William J. Raga, *Erie County District Attorney's Office*
1992 Detective Sergeant Daniel B. Tauriello, Team Commander
Hostage Management Team Detectives Robert M. Davis, Chester M. Glica, Peter J. Talty &
Lt. Carolyn D. Lukaszewski
1993 Kevin M. Dillon, *Erie County District Attorney*
1994 Sheila A. DiTullio, *Assistant District Attorney*
1995 Denise E. O'Donnell, *Assistant U.S. Attorney*
1996 Robert D. Lonski, Administrator, *Aid to Indigent Prisoners Society*
1997 Diane M. LaVallee, Esq.
Sharon M. Simon, *Deputy Chief Clerk, Buffalo City Court*
1998 Legal Aid Bureau of Buffalo, Inc.
1999 John V. Elmore, Esq.
James P. Harrington, Esq.
2000 District Attorney Frank J. Clark, III
2001 John P. Simich, Ph.D., Senior Forensic Serologist
Erie County Central Police Services Laboratory
2002 Robert P. Sawicki, Esq. (posthumously)
2003 Dr. Khalid Qazi, President
American Muslim Council of Western New York
2004 Frank B. Mesiah, President
NAACP Buffalo Chapter
2005 Nicholas G. Baich, *Chief Clerk of the Courts*
2006 not presented
2007 City of Buffalo Youth Court
2008 Barbara Seals Nevergold, Ph.D.
Peggy Brooks-Bertram, Dr. P.H., Ph.D.
2009 The Veterans Treatment Court Part of Buffalo City Court
Hon. Robert T. Russell, Jr., Presiding
2010 Frank J. Boccio, *Chief Clerk, Erie County Family Court*
2011 Officer Colleen M. Rahill-Beuler
Officer Michael J. Quarantillo
United States Probation Office
2012 not presented
2013 Anthony San Giacomo, *Chief U.S. Probation Officer*
2014 Noreen Flynn, L.C.S.W., *Expedited Matrimonial Social Worker*
2015 Family Court Help Desk/Federal Court Pro Se Assistance Program and the UB Law Pro Se Civil Litigation
Support Practicum
2016 Kimberly L. Beaty, Deputy Commissioner, *Buffalo Police Department*
2017 Court Officers of the Eighth Judicial District
2018 Gayle Towne Murphy, Pro Bono Manager, Volunteer Lawyers Project
2019 Dr. Frank Alabiso, Suburban Psychiatric Associates
2020 Aimeé L. Neri, LMSW, Erie County Family Court
2021 Hon. Robert T. Russell, Jr.
2022 Kelly Buckley, Chief Clerk of the Erie County Family Court
2023 Assemblywoman Crystal D. Peoples-Stokes
2024 Joseph A. Kelemen, *Western New York Law Center*

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MEDIA AWARD



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MEDIA AWARD

This award is presented annually as part of the Law Day celebration to recognize achievements in print and electronic media and products in media and the arts which strengthen our system of justice and the freedoms guaranteed in the Constitution.

Media Award Past Recipients:

1975	Ralph Biddle, Reporter, <i>Buffalo Evening News</i>
1976	Gregg Flaherty, Reporter, <i>Courier Express</i>
1977	N/A
1978	N/A
1979	N/A
1980	Matt Gryta, Reporter, <i>Buffalo Evening News</i>
1981	Grad Krohn, Assignment Editor, WEBR Radio
1982	Radio Station WEBR
1983	Richard Hirsch, Channel 17, WNED
1984	N/A
1985	N/A
1986	N/A
1987	Liebert "Lee" Coppola, Reporter
1988	N/A
1989	Leslie Arries, Vice President, WIVB-TV
1990	Mike Igoe, Esq., Consumer Reporter, WGRZ-TV
1991	Matt Gryta, Reporter, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
1992	N/A
1993	James Heaney
1994	Brian Meyer, WBEN
1995	Annemarie Franczyk, <i>Business First</i>
1996	Marie Rice, Reporter, WIVB-TV
1997	Rod Watson, Editor, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
1998	Steve Boyd and Mickey Osterreicher, WKBW-TV
1999	Mike Desmond, WNED-AM
2000	Daniel Herbeck, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2001	N/A
2002	Susan Banks, Anchor/Reporter, WKBW-TV, Channel 7
2003	Tom Toles, Editorial Cartoonist, <i>The Washington Post</i>
2004	Rich Kellman, Senior Correspondent, WGRZ-TV, Channel 2
2005	John Caher, Albany Bureau Chief, <i>New York Law Journal</i>
2006	Douglas L. Turner, Washington Bureau Chief, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2007	Rich Newberg, Senior Correspondent, WIVB-TV, Channel 4
2008	Eileen Buckley, Assistant News Director/Reporter, WBFO Radio
2009	Barbara Burns, Anchor/Reporter, WBEN-Radio/WGR-Radio
2010	Jack Connors, President and Publisher, <i>Business First</i> and <i>Buffalo Law Journal</i>
2011	Michael Beebe, Retired Reporter, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2012	Mary B. Pasciak, Education Reporter, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2013	Maria Visco & Al Vaughters, Call 4 Action Program, WIVB-TV
2014	Jeffrey A. Spencer, Esq., <i>Court Attorney Referee, Expedited Matrimonials</i>
2015	Adam Zyglis, Editorial Cartoonist, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2016	Susan Arbetter, Host, Capitol Press Room
2017	Phil Fairbanks, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2018	Jerry Zremski and Derek Gee, <i>The Buffalo News</i>
2019	N/A
2020	Margaret Sullivan, Media Columnist, <i>The Washington Post</i>
2021	Investigative Post
2022	Rod Watson, Urban Affairs Editor/Columnist at <i>The Buffalo News</i>

Media Award Past Recipients continued.

2023 "Buffalo, What's Next?"
2024 Claudine Ewing, *Anchor, Channel 2 News*
WGRZ-TV

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