

**STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN  
YOUNG LAWYERS SECTION  
2017 REGEANA MYRICK OUTSTANDING YOUNG LAWYER AWARD**

**A. Purpose**

This award annually recognizes a Michigan young lawyer who has demonstrated an overwhelming commitment to public service, service to the bar, and exceptional leadership.

**B. History**

In 1997, the State Bar of Michigan Young Lawyers Section (“YLS”) renamed its “Outstanding Young Lawyer Award” to honor Regeana Myrick, a member of the YLS Executive Council, who passed away in August of that year.

In addition to serving on the Executive Council, Regeana was a dedicated member of many bar associations. A cum laude graduate of every prestigious school she attended (Cranbrook, the University of Michigan, and the Detroit College of Law), Regeana balanced her studies with her commitment to public service.

Regeana’s dedication to the legal profession and public service spanned many years. She is remembered by her family, friends, and colleagues as a bright and charitable woman with many talents, who was always mindful of those less fortunate.

**C. Past Winners**

Past winners of the Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Award include the following individuals:

- 2016: Imran Syed
  - Finalists: Mitra Jafary-Hariri and Emily Thomas
- 2015: Takura Nyamfukudza
- 2014: Marilena David-Martin
- 2013: Ronda L. Tate
- 2012: Michelle A. Carter
- 2011: Michael St. John
- 2010: David L. Campbell
- 2009: Jade Edwards
- 2008: Jonathan N. Jilek
- 2007: Bridgette Sparkman
- 2006: Marla A. Linderman
- 2005: Erika S. Julien
- 2004: Richard Bernstein
- 2003: Erika Butler-Akinyemi

#### **D. Nomination Form**

To submit nominations for the Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Award, please complete the nomination form and return it via e-mail to the Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Awards Committee, c/o Syeda Davidson, at [sfhdaavidson@gmail.com](mailto:sfhdaavidson@gmail.com).

#### **E. Eligibility**

In order to be eligible for the Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Award, nominees must:

- Be in good standing with the State Bar of Michigan; and
- Be 36 years old or younger OR have practiced for five years or less, whichever period is greater.

Note: Members of the State Bar of Michigan Young Lawyers Section Executive Council are not eligible. For a list of council members, please visit <http://connect.michbar.org/yls/council>

#### **F. Award Criteria**

Nominees for the Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Award will be evaluated on the following criteria:

- Professional excellence;
- Service to the profession and the bar;
- Service to the public; and
- Leadership

#### **G. Nominee's Resume**

Nominators are encouraged to include the nominee's resume or biography, describing their background and contributions.

#### **H. Articles/Letters**

Nominators may submit up to five news articles written by or about the nominee and no more than three letters of support from individuals or organizations. Identical letters from different supporters should be signed on one sheet rather than attaching multiple copies of the same letter.

#### **I. Other Relevant Information**

Nominators may provide any additional information that will be helpful and relevant in evaluating the nominee.

**J. Deadline**

Nomination forms and supporting materials must be received no later than 11:59 pm on Friday, March 24, 2017. No extensions will be granted.

**K. Selection Process and Announcement**

The 2017 Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Awards Committee will select the Award recipient. The award will be presented on Saturday, April 29, 2017, at the 10<sup>th</sup> Annual Young Lawyers Summit at the Crystal Mountain Resort in Thompsonville, Michigan.

**2017 REGEANA MYRICK  
OUTSTANDING YOUNG LAWYER NOMINATION FORM**

**NOMINEE BACKGROUND INFORMATION**

<b>Nominee's Name:</b>	<b>Date of Birth:</b>
<b>Firm/Employer:</b>	<b>Month/Year admitted to the State Bar of Michigan and P Number:</b>
<b>Firm/ Employer's Address:</b>	<b>Undergraduate Institution:</b>
<b>Phone(s):</b>	<b>Law School:</b>
<b>Email:</b>	<b>Law School Graduation Date:</b>

**NOMINATOR'S INFORMATION**

<b>Nominator's Name:</b>
<b>Firm/ Employer's Address:</b>
<b>Phone(s):</b>
<b>Email:</b>





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5. What, if any, awards, honors, or other form of recognition has the Nominee received? (Please include the field of award, i.e., educational, professional, academia, or community-based, and year of receipt, if known.)

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6. Any other additional information that you would like the Award Committee to know about:

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**PLEASE SUBMIT THIS NOMINATION NO LATER THAN FRIDAY, Friday, March 24, 2017**

**Regeana Myrick Outstanding Young Lawyer Awards Committee**  
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