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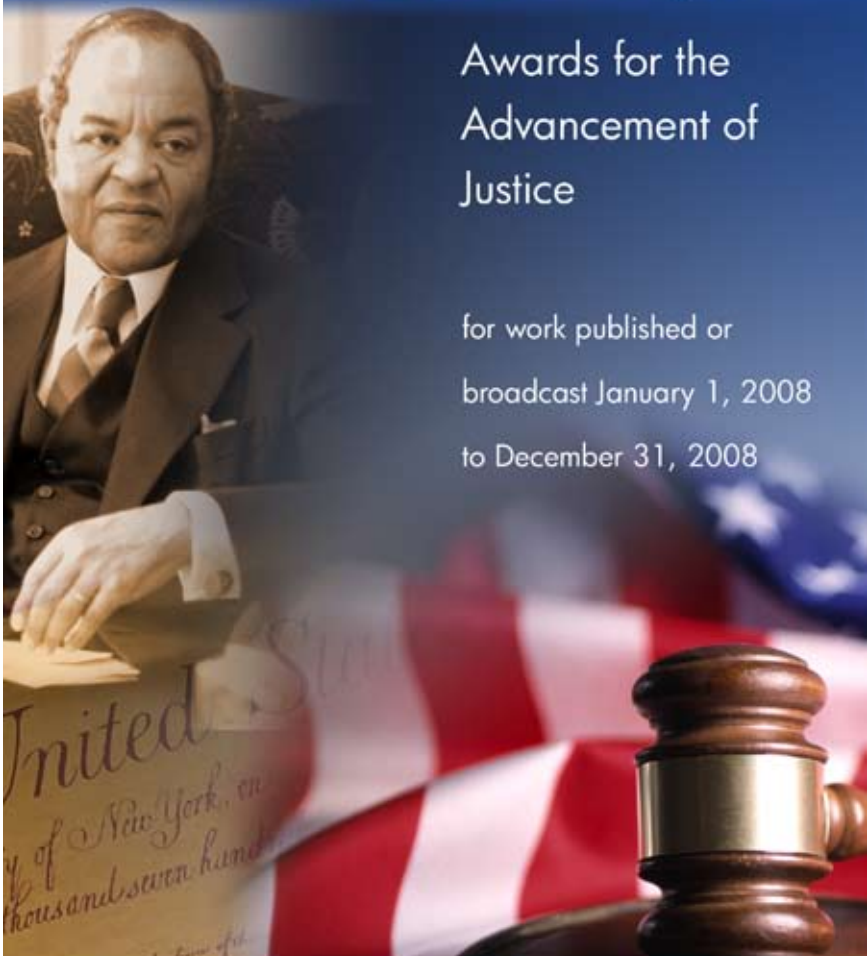
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Nominations
Announcement

Wade H. McCree, Jr.

Awards for the
Advancement of
Justice

for work published or
broadcast January 1, 2008
to December 31, 2008



Print and Broadcast Awards for Journalists

WADE H. MCCREE, JR.

ENTRY FORM

Name _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Other writers _____

You are encouraged to submit a brief statement summarizing your entry.

You may enter as many times as you wish. **This entry form or a copy must accompany each entry.** Each form is downloadable at www.michbar.org. Click on Media Resources, and then Events and Awards.



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WADE H. MCCREE, JR.

Judge McCree was dedicated to advancing the understanding of the role of a free press in a free society. During a remarkable career that included service as a federal judge, professor of law, and Solicitor General of the United States, he touched the lives of millions of Americans. Judge McCree was an early and dedicated supporter of the establishment of the Advancement of Justice Awards. The awards were renamed in 1987 to honor not only him, but all those who receive the Wade H. McCree, Jr. Awards for the Advancement of Justice.

The objective of the awards competition is to give statewide recognition to written materials and radio/television broadcasts published or aired between January 1, 2008, and December 31, 2008, that:

- Foster greater public understanding of the inherent values of our legal and judicial system;
- Inform and educate citizens as to the role of the law, the courts, law enforcement agencies, and the legal profession in today's society;
- Disclose practices and procedures in need of correction or improvement; and
- Encourage and promote legal and state legislative efforts to update and modernize our laws, courts, and law enforcement agencies.

The panel of judges will evaluate entries based on originality, effectiveness, thoroughness, and newsworthiness. Relevance to the award criteria is paramount. Topics must be clearly dominated by justice themes.

Michigan newspapers, wire services, news syndicates, magazines, radio stations, television stations, legal publication, or networks and their employees are eligible to enter the awards competition.

There is no charge for entering.

Entry Requirements

Print and electronic entries may consist of feature articles, news articles, interpretive analyses, editorials, or combinations of these. Please submit original entries with four copies not larger than 8 ½ inches x 14 inches.

Radio entries may consist of documentary, educational, or editorial programs. Please submit four CD recordings plus four copies of a short synopsis that includes program title, broadcast date, and other pertinent details. *Scripts should be included if possible.*

Televised entries should consist of four DVDs, and four copies of a brief synopsis that includes program title, broadcast date, and other pertinent details. *Scripts should be included if possible.*

Note: Please make sure that CDs or DVDs enclosed are in working order. Defective materials will not be judged. Materials submitted for this competition will not be returned.

Up to three prizes may be awarded in both the print and broadcast categories. To preserve the integrity of the awards, the State Bar reserves the right to withhold awards in any category.

Awards will be presented in April, 2009, at Michigan State University's Kellogg Center in conjunction with the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.

All entries must have been published/aired between January 1 and December 31, 2008, and postmarked no later than **Friday, February 13, 2009.**

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About the State Bar of Michigan

Established in 1935, the State Bar of Michigan represents the state's 40,000 attorneys and judges. The State Bar protects the public and manages Access To Justice initiatives to make legal services available to all Michigan residents. The State Bar's purposes, as set forth by the Michigan Supreme Court, are "to aid in promoting improvements in the administration of justice and advancements in jurisprudence, improving relations between the legal profession and the public, and promoting the interests of the legal profession in this state." The SBM Law and the Media Committee, comprised of attorneys who volunteer to take part in the effort, oversees the McCree Awards.