

Unsung Hero Award Nomination - Clark Andrews

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Explain the merits of your nomination, submit any supporting materials for your nominee by email, fax, or mail. Give specific examples.

It is with great pleasure that I nominate Clark Andrews for consideration for the State Bar of Michigan Unsung Hero Award. Clark has worked for O'Reilly Rancilio P.C. for 45 years, having started at the firm shortly after his graduation from the University of Michigan Law School in 1974. Clark is a member of the firm's municipal, estate planning, and business and real estate practice groups. He has worked as an assistant city attorney for the cities of Sterling Heights, Fraser, and Utica, and as an assistant township attorney for the townships of Shelby and Macomb.

Clark has undoubtedly made his mark in the legal world, and it is through his numerous community activities and his big heart that we ask for your consideration to select him as an Unsung Hero. He served as an appointed volunteer member of the Macomb County Legal Assistance Program for Senior Citizens Board from 1991 until 2013, when the program was discontinued for funding reasons.

The Board that Clark served on oversaw and counseled two staff attorneys of the pro bono program which provided legal assistance to seniors. The Board met quarterly (or more often when needed) to discuss cases, caseloads, client confidentiality, and other ethical issues which arose during the time that the program operated. In addition, he provided some pro bono services, and was awarded the 2013 Pro Bono Service Award Senior Services for those contributions.

Clark was also a volunteer member of the Professional Education Committee of the Michigan Municipal Attorneys Association for several years. The MMA often collaborated with the Public Corporation Section of the State Bar of Michigan in producing and delivering high quality continuing

education seminars on topics of current interest to municipal attorneys and their municipal clients. In the summer of 2010, Clark was a speaker at the Michigan Public Corporation Section summer seminar regarding then recent changes to the Michigan Smoking laws and how those affected municipalities and businesses.

Clark has also been an active supporter of the Salvation Army William Booth Legal Aid Clinic which provides legal services to impoverished individuals in the tri-county area. Clark also supports the Macomb County Bar Foundation and the Kim Cahill Scholarship fund.

Clark is a very active participant in several business, community, and civic organizations. He has been an active member of the Rotary Club of Sterling Heights for 45 years. The service club whose motto is "Service Above Self" has done many good deeds to improve people's lives, including purchasing, distributing, and fitting free bike helmets to youth, offering college scholarships to needy students, holding annual Valentine's Day parties and December holiday parties for special needs students in Macomb County, funding youth leadership retreats, and delivering fully-prepared meals to numerous families on Thanksgiving Day. Clark also participated actively in the Sterling Heights Cultural Exchange which is held annually to promote understanding among people of different cultures.

Clark has also actively participated in activities with the Utica Community Schools Foundation for Educational Excellence, including volunteering every year as a business leader at the annual Career Focus Luncheon of 2000 sixth graders for more than 20 years.

Through the Blessings in a Backpack and Macomb Foundation programs, Clark has collected and donated many backpacks and school supplies to needy elementary school students. He has recently participated in the Sterling Heights Drug Free Coalition, and the COMEBACK-Quick Response Team programs which are helping to raise drug awareness and provide on-the-ground treatment to individuals who have overdosed.

Clark has volunteered as a Director and served as President of the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce & Industry, and helped form the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce Foundation. He was awarded the Sterling Heights High School S.O.S. Club Award for Service to Youth, and the Lil Adams Award for Contributions to the Sterling Heights Regional Chamber of Commerce and Industry.

At O'Reilly Rancilio P.C., Clark serves as a mentor to new attorneys teaching them about his areas of expertise, how to ethically practice law, and most importantly how to enjoy the profession. He often accompanies young lawyers to municipal meetings and other community events providing guidance and advice.

Clark and his wife, Beth, a recently retired attorney, are very generous and have supported numerous charities, including St. Jude's Children's Research Hospital, the Salvation Army, the Dan-Farber Cancer Institute, the Henry Ford Foundation, the Beaumont Foundation, the Ronald McDonald House (which provides free housing to family members whose children are being treated at Children's Hospital), Special Olympics of Michigan, the National Multiple Sclerosis Society, Leader Dogs for the Blind, Know Resolve (an organization founded to promote mental health and prevention of youth suicides), Families Against Narcotics, Special Olympics of Michigan (which helps special needs children participate in sports activities) the Salvation Army Bed and Bread Club, and many more. Clark does not ask for recognition for his efforts. In fact, if it were not for social media (in which he kindly asks others to donate to worthy charitable causes), his generosity might go unnoticed.

Clark has made a difference in our community and at our firm. He exemplifies the mission of the firm and has positively impacted the people of Macomb County for 45 years. His skills, knowledge, willingness to help others, and his dedication to our community make him our State Bar of Michigan Unsung Hero Award nominee.

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EMPLOYMENT

Stewart, O'Reilly, Cornell, Donovan, Lascoe and Rancilio P.C., Sterling Heights, MI – 1974 – 1985
(Associate and Shareholder)
O'Reilly Rancilio P.C., Sterling Heights, MI – 1985 – present
(Shareholder)

BAR ADMISSIONS

State of Michigan, 1974
U.S. District Court Eastern District, 1975
United States Supreme Court, 1991

PROFESSIONAL ORGANIZATIONS

State Bar of Michigan (Public Corporation, Real Property, Elder Law and Disability Rights, Probate and Estate) (various periods – present)
American Bar Association (numerous years – 2018)
American Association of Planning (numerous years – present)
Michigan Association of School Boards (numerous years – present)

VOLUNTEER PARTICIPATION

Macomb County Bar Association/Utica Schools Mock Trial Trainer and Host (1995)
Macomb County Senior Citizens Legal Services Advisory Board Member (1992 – 2013)
Speaker, 2010 Summer Seminar, State Bar of Michigan Public Corporation Law/Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys on Smoking Law
Michigan Association of Municipal Attorneys (Professional Education Committee) (numerous years to present)
Macomb County Bar Association Real Property Section Committee (2002 – present), Speaker at several continuing legal education seminars
Macomb County Bar Association Elder Law Committee, member (2016 – present)
Macomb County Probate Bar Association (2005 – present)
Financial and Estate Planning Council of Macomb County (2011 – present)
Salvation Army William Booth Legal Aid, supporter (2015 – present)

CIVIC AND COMMUNITY SERVICE

Sterling Heights Rotary Club (1975 – present)
Sterling Heights Chamber of Commerce & Industry, President, Vice-Chairperson, Director (1991 – present)
Sterling Heights Chamber of Commerce Foundation, Founder and Board Member (2016–present)
Utica Community Schools Foundation for Educational Excellence, participant (1993–present)
Sterling Heights Drug Free Coalition and COMEBACK–Quick Response Team, member (2020 –

present)

Know Resolve, supporter (2016 – present)

HONORS/AWARDS

Phi Beta Kappa (1971)

Phi Kappa Phi (1969 – 1971)

Super Lawyers (2007 – 2009)

Stevenson High School S.O.S. Club Award for Service to Youth

Outstanding Service Award for Rotary Club (2003)

Lil Adams Award for Humble, Unselfish Service to Chamber and Community (2009)

Macomb County Bar Association Pro Bono Service Award Senior Services (2013)

PUBLICATIONS

“Creating a Win–Win Strategy for Wireless Telephone Towers: A Case Study of Sterling Heights, Michigan”, Michigan Planning and Zoning News, May, 1997

“Navigating the Internet to Save Time and Trouble in Providing Real Estate Legal Services, Macomb Bar Briefs, May, 2008

EDUCATION

Michigan State University, East Lansing, Michigan, B.A. Multi–Disciplinary Social Science, with high honor – June, 1971

University of Michigan Law School, Ann Arbor, Michigan, J.D. – May, 1974

Wayne State University Law School (post graduate law courses) – 1980’s

Optional: List news, magazine, radio, and TV features about the nominee’s accomplishments (do not submit actual articles or DVDs). Feel free to include any hyperlinks to these stories, if they are still online.

State date/page and media e.g. 12/12/07, p. 12, Lansing State Journal, "Lawyer Begins TLC Program in Schools"

Clark Andrews receives inaugural "Lil" Adams Award
<https://www.sullivanfuneraldirectors.com/obituaries/Lillian-Adams-28196/#!/Obituary>

Rotary Club of Sterling Heights
<https://sterlingheightsrotary.org>

O'Reilly Rancilio
<https://www.orlaw.com/attorneys/clark-a-andrews/>

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