



FAWL's Outstanding Programming Award Nomination Form Deadline March 1, 2012

FAWL is a statewide voluntary bar association comprised of twenty- nine (29) chapters throughout the state. A major purpose of FAWL is to provide a network among the chapters to exchange ideas and information to aid the chapters in providing service to their members. This award is presented to the chapter that has presented the most outstanding program during this past year.

Criteria for Selection:

This award is presented annually to the FAWL chapter that has presented an effective program that is (1) reflective of FAWL's mission, (2) easily recreated by other chapters, and (3) has quality supporting materials.

Chapter Nomination Eligibility:

Each chapter in good standing is eligible and encouraged to nominate a program. The nominated program must have occurred during the 2011-2012 FAWL year. Each chapter is limited to one nomination for this award.

Award Recipient:

The award recipient will receive a five-hundred dollar (\$500.00) cash award.

Nomination Documentation:

Please provide the chapter information on this nomination form in the space provided. Please attach a statement of nomination and the supporting materials to the nomination form.

I. Chapter Information:

Nominating Chapter: Palm Beach County Chapter

Nominating Chapter's Contact Person's Name: Sarah Cortvriend Telephone: (561) 650-8040

Nominating Chapter's Address: P.O. Box 3102, West Palm Beach,
FL 33402-3102

Nominated Program: Road to the Bench / Road to the JNC

Date of Program: 1/19/12 Location of Program: Palm Beach Airport Hilton

Number of People Involved in Planning/Executing Program: 2-5 Number of People Attending Program: 85

Outcome of Program: Great feedback, requests for repeat of similar
program next year.

Tools Used to Measure Success of Program: Feedback from panelists and attendees.

List Any Other Awards Given for Program: None

II. Statement of Nomination:

Succinctly describe and explain the reasons for the nomination, namely, a brief summary of why this program deserves the award. Limit is 100 words.

III. Supporting Material:

Please attach the supporting materials. Supporting materials are limited to a total of five (5) pages.

Please double check to make sure you have included:

I. Nomination Form *II. Statement of Nomination (100 word limit)* *III. Supporting Materials (5 page limit)*

PLEASE NOTE: The information provided on this nomination form and in the statement of nomination may be used for publication. The only information that will be considered for this award is the nomination form, the statement of nomination, and the supporting materials. If the nomination documentation rules are not followed the nominee will be immediately disqualified.

FAWL's Outstanding Programming Award will be announced at FAWL's Annual Meeting held in June 2012 at The Florida Bar Annual Meeting at the Gaylord Palms Resort, Orlando, Florida. Nominations must be submitted as **one (1) pdf document** via e-mail to admin@fawl.org or faxed to 866-830-5536 by 5:00 p.m. EST March 1, 2012.

PALM BEACH COUNTY CHAPTER - OUTSTANDING PROGRAM NOMINATION

Palm Beach County FAWL outstanding program was offered on January 19, 2012, an afternoon CLE program entitled Road to the Bench/Road to the JNC. The program involved a panel discussion and breakout sessions followed by a reception, will feature a number of federal and state court judges, well-known lawyers, representatives from the Florida Bar Board of Governors, representatives from the JNC, a representative from Governor Scott's office, and keynote speaker Gwynne Young. Approximately 80 people attended the presentation, it got significant recognition and some press coverage, and CLE credits were awarded.

Thank you for your consideration.

Respectfully,

Sarah Cortvriend
President
Palm Beach County Chapter, FAWL



Palm Beach County Chapter of FAWL

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December 15, 2011

The Florida Bar
Legal Specialization and Education
651 East Jefferson Street
Tallahassee, FL 32399-2300

Re: Provider Number 828157
Panel Presentation "Road to the Bench-Road to the JNC,"
January 19, 2012

On January 19, 2012, Palm Beach County Chapter the Florida Association for Women Lawyers ("FAWL") will host "Road to the Bench - Road to the JNC" for lawyers in the community who are interested in becoming judges or serving on the various Judicial Nominating Committees. Florida Bar President-Elect Gwynne Young is the keynote speaker, and the program will feature panels of Judges, campaign advisors, JNC members, as well as General Counsel from Governor Rick Scott's office. I am writing to request that this (120-minute) program be approved for **2.5 credits (including 1.5 Ethics)** toward the Florida Bar's mandatory CLE requirements. The program's focus is leadership and the judiciary (specifically helping choose or becoming one of the communities judges) – several **Ethical** discussions highlighted in Rule 5.04 (g) of the Florida Bar MCLE Rules will be central to the program – responsibilities as an officer of the court, protecting the image of the profession, the responsibility of the lawyer to the public generally and to public service, and the ethics of the actual process of becoming/choosing judges.

Because we are a local bar, the course will be offered at no charge to attendees, and the course application has been submitted over 30 days in advance of the program, my understanding is that FAWL will be exempt from course approval fees. Please advise whether the Florida Bar will grant CLE course credit for this program and, if so, how many credits will be accorded to our attorneys who attend the program. An application for accreditation is enclosed.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me.

Very truly yours,

Sarah Cortvriend
President

- i. Panelists Judge Meenu Sasser, Judge Marni Bryson, Judge Lisa Small, campaign manager, Jesse Panuccio, Gary Lesser, Greg Coleman, Judge Carole Taylor
- ii. Facilitator Tasha Dickinson
- iii. Topics:
 1. Running for judge vs. applying for judge
 2. Factors-what helps and what hinders
 3. How to express interest, who one should reach out to for assistance, guidance and mentorship
 4. What ethical rules must be followed regarding campaigns?
 5. What ethical rules must be followed regarding judicial applications
 6. Financial disclosures
 7. Application process-what is essential in a judicial application
 8. Running a campaign-what experience/credentials to run
 9. Once becoming a judge, what ethics rules are in play? ie no participation in fundraising, political party events, etc.

b. Road to the JNC (50 min)

- i. Panelists Mariano Garcia, Gerry Richman, Phil Hutchinson, Michelle Suskauer, David Prather, John Howe, Patti Leonard
- ii. Facilitator Jill Weiss
- iii. Topics:
 1. Who is a good candidate for the JNC?
 2. What one should do if they are thinking of applying for the JNC in the future?
 3. What ethics rules are involved?
 4. Factors-what helps and what hinders
 5. How does one express interest?
 6. Once on the JNC, what ethics rules are involved?

VI. Networking Reception

Recap

- The Importance Of Leadership (20 min)
- The Importance of Diversity in Leadership Within the JNC and the Bench (50 min)
- Road to the Bench or Road to the JNC (breakouts) (50 min each)

Total time: 120 minutes (including 75 minutes Ethics)

ROAD TO THE BENCH-ROAD TO THE JNC
Palm Beach Airport Hilton. West Palm Beach, Florida
January 19, 2012

Description

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Timed Agenda

- I. Introduction by Samantha Schosberg Feuer
- II. Keynote Speaker Gwynn Young “The Importance Of Leadership” (20 min)
 - a. How leadership preserves the integrity of the profession
 - b. How mentorship through leadership is rewarding for those who are mentored and those doing the mentoring
 - c. The importance of leadership for career development and advancement
- III. First Panel “The Importance of Diversity in Leadership Within the JNC and the Bench” (50 min)
 - a. Panelists Scott Hawkins, David Prather, Greg Coleman, Michelle Suskauer, Gerry Richman, Jesse Panuccio, Sarah Cortvriend, John Howe
 - b. Moderator Judge Lucy Brown
 - c. Topics:
 - i. Why is diversity in leadership important
 - ii. How leadership promotes ethics and professionalism
 - iii. Importance of supporting/mentoring others for leadership positions
 - iv. How diversity on the bench/JNC assists with fairness/justices in the profession
- IV. Break (15 min)
- V. Breakout Sessions (to be held simultaneously)
 - a. Road to the Bench (50 min)



Continuing Legal Education Application For Accreditation

Date received

Legal Specialization and Education
651 East Jefferson Street
Tallahassee, Florida 32399-2300
850/561-9421 • www.floridabar.org
(PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT)

CLE Provider # 828157 Please check here if there are any updates to your contact information)

or

NEW PROVIDER CHECK HERE

PROVIDER NAME Palm Beach County Chapter of the Florida Association for Women Lawyers
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SEMINAR TITLE Road to the Bench-Road to the JNC

DATE(s)

January 19, 2012

LOCATION(S)

Airport Hilton, West Palm Beach

SEMINAR TYPE

- Live Presentation Satellite Transmission
 Video Tape Online Program
 Audio Tape Other:

SEMINAR LEVEL

Basic – A course designed for the practitioner with no experience or limited experience in the area of law in which the course deals. A survey course is considered basic unless there are recent, significant changes in the law.

Intermediate – A course designed for the practitioner experienced in the area but not necessarily an expert. A survey course in which there have been recent, substantial changes will be deemed intermediate. In an intermediate course, some segment may be low intermediate or basic, and others high intermediate or advanced; in those instances the course taken as a whole will be considered intermediate.

Advanced – A course designed for the practitioner with extensive experience in the subject matter of the course.

MINUTES OF INSTRUCTION

(Excluding breaks, meals, & introduction)

45 General
75 Ethics
Professionalism Credit*
Substance Abuse
Mental Illness Awareness
Total Minutes of Instruction

(Total Minutes of Instruction will be divided by 50 to determine CLE credit hours)

120
*If requested, credit will be evaluated by the Center for Professionalism

ATTENDANCE REGISTRATION FEE

\$ None

FEES (Please Check As Applicable)

NORMAL PROCESSING TIME IS 4-6 WEEKS

- Late Fee** \$75
Required if application is not submitted 30 days prior to the first date on which the seminar is held.
- Rush Fee** \$75
Optional Fee. Course will be processed within 5 days.

EVALUATION FEE:

- Course offered at no charge to attendees** No Fee
- Local Bar in the State of Florida** \$45
(if seminar is greater than 2 credit hours)
- All other Providers** \$150

TOTAL \$ 0.00

PLEASE CHECK TO ACKNOWLEDGE

As required, I have attached the course description, an outline of all topics addressed, a detailed time schedule, information about the speakers and their credentials, and the requisite accreditation fee(s).

Sarah Cortvriend

Name of Person Apply (PLEASE PRINT)

Sarah Cortvriend 12/15/11
Signature Date