



Florence K. Murray Award

The Rhode Island Bar Association presents the Florence K. Murray Award to a person who by example or otherwise has influenced women to pursue legal careers, opened doors for women attorneys, or advanced opportunities for women within the legal profession. The Award is named in honor of the first recipient, Hon. Florence K. Murray, who, in a distinguished 56 years at the bar, pioneered the causes of women in the law as the first woman attorney elected to the Rhode Island Senate, the first woman Justice on the Superior Court, the first woman Presiding Justice of the Superior Court, and the first woman on the Rhode Island Supreme Court. The nominee is selected by a committee composed of six members of the Bar appointed to staggered two-year terms by the President of the Bar Association.

The Award Committee is particularly interested in candidates whose actions most closely reflect those of the award's namesake. Such commitment and extraordinary effort may be demonstrated by the nominee's:

- selfless generosity and mentorship of women attorneys
- influence and encouragement of women to pursue legal careers
- willingness to offer professional guidance while being a positive role model to women attorneys
- support to create opportunities for women in law

Please postal mail or email your nomination, including a written report detailing how the nominee meets the criteria and your name, telephone number, and email address, no later than March 9, 2018, to:

**Florence K. Murray Award Committee
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