GameChanger Award

This award is for attorneys *based in San Diego, who are the unsung heroes of our cases, but whose work is instrumental in obtaining a favorable outcome. This award can be given to any CASD attorney member responsible in whole or in part for the representation of a client in a civil or criminal matter. The representation does not need to be during litigation or a contested proceeding. Nominations will be considered after a favorable result of the matter.

The criteria for a Game Changer Award are:

- The attorney achieved a remarkable legal or evidentiary result that was pivotal to the favorable outcome of the case (e.g., motion, briefing, deposition, investigative, or second chair work);
- The attorney is not eligible for an Outstanding Trial Lawyer Award or Outstanding Advocacy Award for the same case;
- The attorney was not lead trial counsel in a trial or arbitration that resulted in the final verdict or award; and
- Favorable consideration is given to newer attorneys, though this award is open to attorneys of all experience levels.

* Based in San Diego, defined.
At the time of the trial giving rise to the nomination:
1. The nominee must have been a CASD member; and
   a. The nominee's principal place of business was San Diego County; or
   b. The nominee maintained a physical office, staffed with an attorney, in San Diego County and
      San Diego County was the venue of the trial, arbitration, or settlement.