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Service Award Recipients to be recognized at Annual Awards Luncheon & Celebration of Community Service May 1

SAN DIEGO (March 19, 2018) – The San Diego County Bar Association (SDCBA) is proud to announce the recipients of its 2018 SDCBA Service Awards. The annual awards recognize distinguished individuals and organizations for their commitment to serving the San Diego community. Winners will be recognized at the SDCBA's Annual Awards Luncheon & Celebration of Community Service on May 1. This year, two extraordinary attorneys, Candace Carroll and Virginia Nelson, will be recognized for their long legacies of community service throughout their careers and will each be presented with the Outstanding Attorney of the Year award.

The 2018 SDCBA Service Award recipients are:

Candace Carroll, Sullivan Hill Lewin Rez & Engel
Outstanding Attorney Award

Awarded to an exemplary attorney who provides outstanding community service above and beyond just service to the legal profession.

Virginia Nelson, Law Offices of Virginia C. Nelson
Outstanding Attorney Award

Awarded to an exemplary attorney who provides outstanding community service above and beyond just service to the legal profession.

Hon. David Bartick, U.S. District Court for the Southern District of California (*Awarded Posthumously*)
Outstanding Jurist Award

Presented to an exemplary jurist who provides outstanding community service above and beyond service to the legal profession.

Alvin Gomez, Gomez Law Group
Service to the SDCBA Award

Recognizes outstanding service to the Association as a volunteer, in a role other than as an officer or director.

Jonah Toleno, Shustak Reynolds & Partners, P.C.
Service to Diversity Award

Recognizes outstanding service by a member of the legal profession, in promoting and encouraging diversity within the legal profession.

Wendy Behan, Casey Gerry Schenk Francavilla Blatt & Penfield LLP
Service to the Legal Community Award

Recognizes outstanding long-term or significant contributions to furthering the goals of the legal profession and promoting ethics, integrity, and professionalism in the practice of law by legal education, civics education, mentoring, or service to the SDCBA.

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James Tabb, Zaveri | Tabb APC

Community Service Award

Recognizes outstanding service to the needs of the community (e.g. charitable, cultural, humanitarian or educational), other than directly through the SDCBA.

Michelle Ialeggio, San Diego County District Attorney's Office

Service by a Public Attorney Award

Presented to an individual who demonstrates a combination of excellence in the practice of law with service to the community, the profession, the Association or legal education.

Jamie Quient, Free to Thrive

Outstanding Service by a New Lawyer Award

Recognizes outstanding service by a new lawyer in his or her first six full years of practice who has demonstrated a significant commitment to serving the legal community via legal education, mentoring or community service efforts.

The 2018 SDCBA Service Awards will be presented at the SDCBA's Annual Awards Luncheon & Celebration of Community Service on May 1, at the Westin San Diego (Emerald Plaza) from 12 p.m. to 1:30 p.m. The event takes place during the SDCBA's celebration of Law Week and will also highlight the various public service activities, events and community outreach initiatives the SDCBA participates in throughout the year. Tickets will be available through the SDCBA website at www.sdcba.org/AwardsLunch. The SDCBA's Service Award recipients are nominated by the San Diego legal community and reviewed and selected by the SDCBA's Awards Committee, with the approval of the SDCBA's Board of Directors.

The San Diego County Bar Association is the region's largest law-related organization and the hub of the city's legal community, headquartered in downtown San Diego.

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