

Dispute Resolution Section
New Jersey State Bar Association
James B. Boskey Award 2017
(formerly ADR Practitioner of the Year Award)

Full Name of Nominee

Street Address

City

State

Zip

Phone (include area code)

E-mail address

FAX

Full Name of Nominating Organization or Individual

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A **statement** of no more than 500 words, describing why the nominee deserves the 2017 Boskey Award, must be attached, and this form and statement must be returned no later than **Friday, March 10, 2017 either by email** to:

Hon. Barbara Byrd Wecker, 2017 Boskey Award Committee Chair at

bwecker@greenbergdauber.com

or by regular mail to: Boskey Award Committee, Attention: Barbara Straczynski,
New Jersey State Bar Association - Dispute Resolution Section, One Constitution
Square, New Brunswick, NJ 08901-1520

Nominations Sought for 2017 James B. Boskey Award

(formerly the ADR Practitioner of the Year Award)

The New Jersey State Bar Association's Dispute Resolution Section is seeking nominations for consideration as this year's recipient of the James B. Boskey Award. The Boskey Award, formerly the ADR Practitioner of the Year Award, was renamed in honor and in memory of the late James B. Boskey, a professor at Seton Hall University School of Law. Jim Boskey was an intellectual, humanitarian, law professor and mediator. For ten years before his untimely death in 1999, he published The Alternative Newsletter, a resource guide on Alternative Dispute Resolution that provided a comprehensive window into the rapidly developing field of ADR. He enjoyed a national and international reputation and was considered by many as the voice of the ADR community.

The Dispute Resolution Section presents the Boskey Award annually to a practitioner in recognition of achievements in (1) informing and educating the public about Alternative and Complementary Dispute Resolution techniques; (2) encouraging and promoting reform and modernization of our legal system; (3) improving the relationship between the legal profession and the general public; (4) exemplifying the goals and purposes of the Dispute Resolution Section; and (5) service to the residents of the State of New Jersey. The Award is widely recognized as the highest honor that an individual can achieve in the development and practice of ADR in New Jersey.

Any member of the New Jersey State Bar Association who serves as an ADR neutral or as an advocate in ADR proceedings, or who advocates in the public sphere to advance the cause of alternative dispute resolution in New Jersey (except for the current members of the Boskey Award Committee), is eligible. Self-nominations are permitted.

Prior recipients have been: Amy Shimalla (2016), N. Janine Dickey (2015), Laura A. Kaster (2014), John R. Holsinger (2013), Hon. Linda R. Feinberg (2012), Hon. John J. Harper (2011), Hon. William A. Dreier (2010), Caroline Petrilla (2009), Richard Jeydel (2008, posthumously), Prof. Jonathan Hyman (2007), Barbara Weisman (2006), Suzanne M. McSorley (2005), Bonnie Blume Goldsamt (2004), Robert E. Margulies (2003), Holly C. Bakke (2002), Robert J. MacPherson (2001), Hon. Rosemary Higgins-Cass (2000); and as the ADR Practitioner of the Year Award, Hanan M. Isaacs (1999), Richard H. Steen (1998) and Robert S. Greenbaum (1997).

The By-Laws of the Dispute Resolution Section provide for the Chair of the Section to appoint the members of the Boskey Award Committee each year. The Committee's composition and this year's members are as follows:

- The Chair of the Dispute Resolution Section (Felicia T. Farber)
- An officer or member of the Board of the Section, who is to be the Chair (Hon. Barbara Byrd Wecker, retired)
- A member of the Section who is neither an officer nor a Board member (Richard H. Bauch)
- Two past recipients of the Award (Richard H. Steen and Suzanne McSorley)
- Chairs (or a Chair's designee) of two other Sections or Special Committees of the NJSBA (Dina M. Mastellone, Chair of Women in the Profession Section and Lauren Caesar, Chair of Lawyers in Transition).

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or by regular mail to

Boskey Award Committee,
Attention: Barbara Straczynski
New Jersey State Bar Association, Dispute Resolution Section
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The deadline for submission of nominations is **Friday, March 10, 2017**. Visit njsba.com for the nomination form, which requires a statement of no more than 500 words describing why the nominee deserves the 2017 Boskey Award.