



FEDERAL MAGISTRATE  
JUDGES ASSOCIATION

## 2020 Diversity Award

### The Award

The Federal Magistrate Judges Association (“FMJA”) is firmly committed to advancing diversity and inclusion in the federal judiciary and the legal community. The FMJA established the Diversity Award to recognize individuals and entities who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to promoting these values. The award is presented on an “as justified” basis, and the recipient will be announced at the 2020 FMJA Annual Convention in Salt Lake City, Utah.

### Eligibility and Criteria

Any Federal Magistrate Judge, attorney, individual, law firm, law school, legal clinic, or other organization that meets the award criteria is eligible. Nominees who demonstrate a sustained and continuous contribution, or a single exceptional contribution, to promoting diversity and inclusion within the federal judiciary and the legal profession will be considered. Nominations of individuals should be based on their contributions to diversity and inclusion, and nominations of entities should be based on programmatic activity.

### Nomination Process

A nomination may be made by any FMJA member by submitting a written nomination packet **no later than March 31, 2020**, to [ruth\\_montenegro@casd.uscourts.gov](mailto:ruth_montenegro@casd.uscourts.gov).

### Selection Process

Submitted nomination packets will be screened and reviewed by the FMJA Diversity Committee. Award recommendations, if any, will be forwarded to the FMJA Executive Board for a final decision.

**In order for a nominee to be considered, the nomination packet must include the following:**

- (1) This Award Nomination Form; and**
- (2) A maximum three-page letter that addresses the above award criteria and identifies the nominee’s specific contributions to diversity and inclusion.**

Please direct any questions about the award program to one of the Diversity Committee Awards Subcommittee Co-Chairs:

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Name and Title of Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

If Entity Nominee, Contact Person or Representative: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Nominator and Relationship to Nominee: \_\_\_\_\_

Court: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Email: \_\_\_\_\_