

**JUDICIAL DIVISION
NATIONAL CONFERENCE OF SPECIALIZED COURT JUDGES**

**JUDICIAL EDUCATION AWARD
ELIGIBILITY RULES**

In 1981, the American Bar Association Board of Governors authorized the National Conference of Specialized Court Judges to institute an Annual Award. The purpose of the Award is to recognize a person, institution or judicial education and training entity for successful efforts in providing high quality judicial education and training to judges. Criteria includes:

1. The nature and extent of opportunities provided to judges to receive local and in-state judicial education and training.
2. The nature and extent of opportunities provided to judges to receive nationally-based judicial education and training.

Please note that the Judicial Education Award emphasizes what has been done for state judicial education and training in general. This award has been created to encourage states to address the needs of these particular jurists and to reward the states that do so in a superior fashion.

Those desiring consideration for the Award should utilize the attached Application, which is to be submitted **no later than April 1, 2008**. The evaluation of entries and selection of the winner will be conducted by a Committee of the National Conference of Specialized Court Judges comprised of its Chair, Chair-Elect, Vice-Chair and some members of its Education Committee.

Applications should be submitted utilizing the attached form, together with five (5) photocopies. The photocopies will be edited by the Conference Associate, prior to distribution to the judges of the Judicial Education Award Committee, so as to delete reference to the name of the submitting state. Those judging the competition will do so based upon the merits of the applicants and do not wish to have knowledge of the identity of those applicants during the judging process. For this reason, other than in the **confidential** portion of the application, applicants are urged not to make reference to the name of their state or otherwise disclose its identity.

The original application and five (5) copies should be sent to:

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