

**THE AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (ABA)  
STANDING COMMITTEE ON ARMED FORCES LAW (SCAFL)  
OUTSTANDING MILITARY SERVICE CAREER JUDGE  
ADVOCATE AWARD**

The ABA Standing Committee on Armed Forces Law (SCAFL) is accepting nominations for the "Outstanding Military Service Career Judge Advocate Award for 2007.

ABA/ SCAFL will recognize the legal contributions of up to one active duty member or active reserve/national guard member from each armed service. Separate awards will be presented to Army, Navy, Air Force, Marine Corps, and Coast Guard winners, and the names of the winners will be engraved on the permanent plaque. Nominations will be evaluated by a panel of distinguished members of the American Bar Association.

The nominations will be evaluated based upon the following criteria:

- Demonstrated Excellence in Service to the Legal Profession in the Armed Service over the nominee's legal career, with an emphasis on accomplishments during the most recent three years. As a career judge advocate or law specialist, such legal service should have a significant leadership component and enumerated and quantifiable professional accomplishments. *(1000 words or less in bullet format).*
- Service to the Community. Such service shall be considered broadly, and will include, at a minimum, service to the ABA, the member's state, county or city bar, and/or the member's military or civilian community when such service reflects legal service/support or benefit to that community. *(500 words or less in bullet format ).*

Nominees must be active duty officers at least 36 years of age, a judge advocate or law specialist in good standing, and a member in good standing of the bar of a state, the District of Columbia, or a territory of the United States at of the time of nomination and August 2007. Nominees are not required to be members of the ABA. However, nominees cannot have been previous winners of this award and may not be promoted to, or selected for promotion to flag rank (O-7) at the time of nomination or presentation of the award.

SCAFL will accept nominations from service Judge Advocates General, Staff Judge Advocate to the Commandant of the Marine Corps, Chief Counsel of the Coast Guard (if different from the Judge Advocate General), an active SCAFL member other than the Chair, SCAFL. All nominations must reach SCAFL by U.S. Mail and be posted dated 18 April 2007

Each nomination must include the nominee's biographical information and statement signed by the nominator regarding the Nominee's professional credentials and qualification to receive the award. The enclosed memorandum is provided as a sample outline of the nomination. The criteria above should be individually addressed to clearly define the nominee's qualifications, with legal service limited to 1000 words in bullet format and community service limited to 500 words in bullet format. Endorsements by military superiors and supporting documentation, such as previous evaluation reports and award citations, which do not add new information concerning the nominee's qualifications, are discouraged. Nomination pages should be submitted in 12-point type/font, single space. **Six copies of the packet** should be mailed directly to:

**DEADLINE: April 18, 2007**

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ABA Standing Committee on Armed Forces Law (SCAFL)

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The SCAFL Chair will formally announce the award recipients at the SCAFL meeting at the Annual Meeting of the American Bar Association.

If there are any questions concerning the nomination process, please contact Gary Anderson, Chair SCAFL, (210) 384-7365 SCAFL Staff Liaison, (312) 988-5604, [kozs@staff.abanet.org](mailto:kozs@staff.abanet.org)

Nomination Letter

LETTERHEAD

From: \_\_\_\_\_  
To: \_\_\_\_\_

Subj: NOMINATION OF \_\_\_\_\_ FOR AMERICAN BAR ASSOCIATION (ABA) STANDING COMMITTEE ON ARMED FORCES LAW (SCAFL) OUTSTANDING MILITARY SERVICE CAREER JUDGE ADVOCATE AWARD

1. It is with great pleasure that I nominate \_\_\_\_\_ for the Outstanding Military Service Career Judge Advocate Award for 20\_\_\_. I have verified his/her credentials and qualification to receive this coveted award.
2. The following biographical information is provided:
  - a. Nominee's Name:
  - b. Age and Date of Birth: *(must be 36 years of age or older by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_)*
  - c. Years of Military Practice:
  - d. Rank/Grade: *(must not be selected for flag rank (O-7) by \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_)*
  - e. Service:
  - f. Present Duty Assignment:
  - g. Previous Duty Assignments:
  - h. Civilian and Professional Military Education:
  - i. Bar and Professional Organization Membership:
  - j. Military Awards:
3. Demonstrated Excellence in Service to the Legal Profession (Professional Accomplishments and Leadership); 1000 Word Limit Bullet Format, Single Spaced:
4. Service to the Community: 500 Word Limit Bullet Format, Single Spaced:
5. If you have any questions or require additional information, please call \_\_\_\_\_ at (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_ or e-mail to \_\_\_\_\_@\_\_\_\_.

NOMINEES' SIGNATURE BLOCK