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# Nominations Sought for the Honorable Louis H. Pollak Award and Andrew Hamilton Award

## Honorable Louis H. Pollak Award

The Public Interest Section of the Philadelphia Bar Association is now accepting nominations for the annual Honorable Louis H. Pollak Award. **The deadline for nominations is Monday, November 7, 2016.**

The Public Interest Section created this award to honor the memory of Judge Louis H. Pollak, a distinguished jurist who cared deeply about public service and access to justice and who gave time and effort to supporting the public interest legal community through his work with the Bar Association. The award does not come with any monetary amount, but rather serves as recognition of both the legacy of leadership Judge Pollak left behind and of the service of the awardee.

This award is given annually to a Judge who embodies Judge Pollak's commitment to public service. Nominations may be self-nominations, made by members of the judiciary, or made by members of the public interest community.

The award committee will look for a jurist who, in efforts to increase access to justice or in dedication to the public interest legal community has demonstrated:

- A single achievement (excluding any decision in any matter before the jurist)
- Sustained commitment
- Or efforts which inspire others

Judges of any level, whether active or retired will be considered. The committee will make efforts to, whenever possible, alternate between Federal and State Judges each year.

Nominations are encouraged.

Nominations should be sent either by mail or email to:

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## Andrew Hamilton Award\*

The Public Interest Section of the Philadelphia Bar Association is now accepting nominations for the annual Andrew Hamilton Award. **The deadline for nominations is Monday, November 7, 2016.**

Nominees must be a legal services advocate or public defender employed by, or associated with, an organization whose purpose is to serve persons who cannot afford to pay for legal representation, or be a public-interest lawyer working with a nonprofit organization serving a charitable or public interest purpose. In addition, nominees must have substantial experience in legal services, indigent defense or public interest law and must currently be employed in one of these capacities. Members of the selection committee will consider such factors as personal vision and commitment; critical nature of the problems addressed by the nominee's advocacy; innovative nature of the nominee's work; outcomes and results achieved through effective advocacy; the difficulty of achievement; and community commitment. A list of past winners can be found [here](#).

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\*In light of the Philadelphia Bar Foundation's recent decision to change the name of its annual Andrew Hamilton Benefit, the Public Interest Section is evaluating whether to change the name of the Andrew Hamilton Award. A report regarding the Philadelphia Bar Foundation's decision can be found [here](#).

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