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## **FINEST LAW FIRM WRITERS SELECTED BY THE BURTON AWARDS**

**New York, New York:** The finest law firm writers of 2019 have been announced by the Burton Awards, a national non-profit program, which is run in association with the Library of Congress, presented by lead sponsor Law360, and co-sponsored by the American Bar Association. The winners, who will be presented the “Law360 Distinguished Legal Writing Awards” on May 20, 2019, were chosen from the nominations submitted by the nation’s top 1,000 largest law firms. William Burton, Founder and Chair of the awards program, said “The winners are outstanding, highly skilled, and effective writers. The Law360 Writing Awards winners have now taught a new and even higher standard of excellence.”

The Academic Board, which reviewed articles published within the past year, was led by Virginia Wise, Chair, formerly of Harvard Law School; Jeanne Merino, Stanford Law School; Lindsay Saffouri, UC Berkeley School of Law, William C. Burton, Author and founder of the event; Judge Edward Forstenzer, Superior Court of California (*retired*); and William Ryan, former member of the Department of Homeland Security and Chair of the White House Plain Language Committee.

The award ceremony will be celebrating its Twentieth Anniversary at the Library of Congress. The award ceremony will be followed by a gala reception, dinner, and performance by singer, actor and songwriter Idina Menzel and nationally recognized magician Shin Lim.

The honorary and distinguished Board of Directors of the Burton Awards program includes: former Chief Judge Richard Posner, 7th Circuit U.S. Court of Appeals (*retired*); U.S. Senator John Cornyn; U.S. Senator Robert P. Casey, Jr.; U.S. Senator Mike Crapo; U.S. Senator Michael F. Bennet; U.S. Senator Chris Van Hollen; U.S. Senator Cory Gardner; Supreme Court Justice Carol Corrigan of California; Yabo Lin, Partner, Sidley Austin LLP; Jane Sullivan Roberts, Partner, Major, Lindsey & Africa; Lisa Rickard, President, U.S. Chamber Institute for Legal Reform; Thomas L. Sager, Partner, Ballard Spahr LLP; Les Parrette, Senior Vice President, General Counsel and Compliance Officer, Novelis Inc. and Deputy Chairman, Burton Awards; James M. Rishwain, Jr., Chairman Emeritus, Pillsbury Winthrop LLP; Betty Whelchel, Head of Public Policy & Regulatory Affairs, BNP Paribas SA; Linda A. Klein, Senior Managing Shareholder at Baker Donelson Bearman Caldwell &

Berkowitz and Past President, American Bar Association; and Stephen R. Mysliwiec, Partner, DLA Piper LLP (US).

Rachel Travers, Vice President of Law360 said, “Clear, compelling writing is an essential tool for all lawyers. Law360 is proud to be associated with these awards, which recognize the best of the best writers in the legal profession. We salute all of the winners and commend them on demonstrating these talents and sustaining such high standards of written excellence.”

The 2019 Law Firm winners are:

<b>Law Firm</b>	<b>Author(s)</b>	<b>Article Title</b>
Alston & Bird LLP	Clifford S. Stanford	Toward a Coherent and Consistent Framework for Treatment of Confidential Supervisory Information
Barack Ferrazzano Kirschbaum & Nagelberg LLP	Robert E. Shapiro	The Morality of Dissent
Cohen Milstein Sellers & Toll PLLC	Julie Goldsmith Reiser Raymond M. Sarola Molly J. Bowen Sally Handmaker Guido	INSIGHT: Holding Firearms Dealers Accountable for Online Straw Sales
Crowell & Moring LLP	Jennifer A. Prioleau John S. Gibson Scott L. Winkelman Rebecca Baden Chaney	Seven Ways to Prepare Your Legal Department for the Fourth Industrial Revolution
Curtis, Mallet-Prevost, Colt & Mosle LLP	George Kahale III	Rethinking ISDS
Davis Polk & Wardwell LLP	Avi Gesser Joseph Kniaz	When the FBI Can Help Companies Deal With a Cyber Event
Debevoise & Plimpton LLP	Paul L. Lee	Long-Term Capital Management: A Retrospective - Part 1
DLA Piper	Danny Tobey	Software Malpractice in the Age of AI: A Guide for the Wary Tech Company
Eversheds Sutherland (US) LLP	Brian L. Rubin Melissa L. Fox Amanda R. Giffin	When Precedent Doesn't Really Stand for That Proposition: FINRA's Suitability Rule and the Meaning of "Best Interest"
Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer US LLP	Peter D. Lyons Matthew Herman Linda H. Martin Marissa Yu	Xerox/Fuji - Mimeograph to the Board: Don't Copy This
Fried, Frank, Harris, Shriver & Jacobson LLP	Warren S. de Wied Philip Richter Gail Weinstein	Recent Trends In Shareholder Activism
Jenner & Block LLP	Brandon D. Fox Alice S. Kim	Is a "following orders" defence viable? Revisiting the Nuremberg defence in the wake of Haspel's confirmation
Kasowitz Benson Torres LLP	Mark W. Lerner Jessica Taub Rosenberg	When Sexual Harassment Is Also a Crime

Kramer Levin Naftalis & Frankel LLP	Daniel A. Rabinowitz	Do Unto Others – Reciprocity Through the Lens of Insurance Regulation
Lightfoot, Franklin & White, LLC	Tenley E. Armstrong Brandon K. Essig	When law enforcement comes calling: The growing challenge of managing athletics investigations
McGuireWoods LLP	Michele Satterlund	Sidewalks: The Next Mobility Frontier
Morgan, Lewis & Bockius LLP	Louise Skinner	Gender Pay Gap – Current Trends
Morvillo Abramowitz Grand Iason & Anello PC	Brian A. Jacobs	How Institutional Dynamics Have Shaped Insider Trading Law
Parker Poe Adams & Bernstein LLP	Jane Lewis-Raymond Karen S. Haller	How to Use Risk Assessments to Shift Culture
Paul, Weiss, Rifkind, Wharton & Garrison LLP	Brad S. Karp Mark S. Bergman, Susanna M. Buergele Roberto J. Gonzalez Jane B. O'Brien Elizabeth M. Sacksteder	The Financial Crisis 10 Years Later: Lessons Learned
Perkins Coie LLP	Amy E. Simpson Steve Chiang	How to Succeed at Every Stage of an Inter Partes Review
Proskauer Rose LLP	Anthony J. Oncidi	Consider the True Implications of Waiving Arbitration
Pryor Cashman LLP	William L. Charron	The Problem of Purely Procedural Preemption Presented by the Federal HEAR Act
Schulte Roth & Zabel LLP	Jeffrey A. Lenobel Aaron C. Retter	Applying Blockchain To Commercial Real Estate Transactions
Skadden, Arps, Slate, Meagher & Flom LLP	Ryan J. Dzierniejko Gregory A. Fericola Eytan J. Fisch Stuart D. Levi	Rise Of Blockchain And ICOs Brings Regulatory Scrutiny
Stroock & Stroock & Lavan LLP	Jerry H. Goldfeder	Shouldn't It Be Up to the Voters?
Sullivan & Cromwell LLP	Jeffrey D. Hochberg	The Section 871(m) Qualified Index Rules
Weil, Gotshal & Manges LLP	Jeffrey S. Klein Nicholas J. Pappas Larsa K. Ramsini	Strategies for Preventing Sexual Harassment
White & Case LLP	Benjamin Saul Margaux Curie	FinTech regulation in the US: Policy, implementation, and future directions
WilmerHale	Todd Zubler D. Reed Freeman, Jr. Jason C. Chipman Allison Aviki	Monitoring Mobility--The Current and Future Regulatory Landscape for Advanced Automotive Tech

## **THE BURTON AWARDS**

The Burton Awards, established in 1999, are funded by the Burton Foundation, a non-profit, academic effort devoted to recognizing and rewarding excellence in the legal profession. The Burton Awards were established to honor the finest accomplishments in law, including writing, reform, public service and interest, regulatory innovation, and lifetime achievements in the profession.

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## **ABOUT THE CHAIRMAN, WILLIAM C. BURTON, ESQ.**

The Founder and Chair of The Burton Awards for Legal Achievement is William C. Burton, Esq., a partner at the law firm of Sagat|Burton LLP. He is a former New York State Assistant Attorney General, a former New York State Assistant Special Prosecutor, and is the author of the first legal thesaurus ever written for the legal profession, entitled *Burton's Legal Thesaurus*. The book is now

in its 5<sup>th</sup> edition and quickly approaching its 35<sup>th</sup> anniversary. When the book was released, the Association of American Publishers recognized it as “one of the Most Innovative and Creative Projects of the year.” In 2011, Mr. Burton was presented the highest honor given by the second largest association of law professors in America, The Legal Writing Institute, for “significantly advancing the cause of legal writing in the profession of law.” More recently, he was awarded the “Blackstone Award” by the Friends of the Law Library of Congress, for “embodying and promoting the best ideals of the institution.” In 2017 The U.S. Chamber of Commerce Institute for Legal Reform Individual Achievement Award was presented to Mr. Burton for making the U.S. Justice System “fairer for all.”