

**THE SONOMA COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION'S**  
**THE 2020 UNSUNG HEROES AWARD**

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**THE AWARD**

Do you know an individual who has a “warm heart” and “helping hands?” A person who is quietly behind the scenes, trying to take a little weight off the shoulders of a fellow human being? Perhaps they are building houses for the homeless, cleaning up our rivers and watersheds, or offering invaluable legal guidance at a community legal clinic. In short, a “regular” person helping regular people. Making a difference in another’s life, without fanfare or fireworks. If so, we want to tell their story...and maybe, just maybe, inspire others to follow in their footsteps.

**ELIGIBILITY**

A candidate/nominee must be an active or retired LEGAL PROFESSIONAL, defined as a lawyer, judge, paralegal, legal secretary or law student, who has ties to or is affiliated with Sonoma County, California.

**NOMINATION**

Candidates can be nominated by any individual, group of individuals, non-profit or charitable organizations, or other type of program with personal, verifiable knowledge of the nominee’s good works. The members of SCBA Communication Committee will review all nominations and come to a consensus to determine eligible candidate(s), and will submit their recommendations(s) to the SCBA Board of Directors for its consideration and final selection. The final candidate(s) will be recognized at the SCBA *Pro Bono* Awards Reception.

**THE CRITERIA**

The “Unsung Hero” Award shall be presented to an individual or a group of individuals who goes above and beyond for the betterment of their world, locally, statewide, nationally, or internationally. Those chosen are special people who make a difference in another’s life by undertaking self-less acts without anticipation of reward, recognition, praise, or personal gain. The nominee’s actions can be legal in nature (for example providing or supporting legal services) or not related to law (for example, service to charitable organizations, religious groups, community or neighborhood group and other noteworthy achievements) or a combination of legal and non-legal services.

**DEADLINE FOR SUBMISSION:** Friday, April 24, 2020

**PREVIOUS HONOREES**

2016 Barbara Sherrill  
2017 Glenn M. Smith

2018 Tracy Chodora  
2019 Joan Guillaumin

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**NOMINEE\*:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**NOMINATOR:** Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Title/Position: \_\_\_\_\_

Company/Organization Name: \_\_\_\_\_

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

\*Note: Go ahead and submit your nominee's name, even if you are not sure whether the person qualifies or is interested. Rest assured that all nominations are held in confidence, and that the nominee's name will not be revealed without consent of the nominee.

Please describe the nominee's "good works" and why this individual impresses you as an "Unsung Hero" (use additional pages if necessary):

**RETURN COMPLETED FORM BY Friday, April 24, 2020, TO:**

**EMAIL** to Amy Jarvis at SCBA: [Amy@SonomaCountyBar.org](mailto:Amy@SonomaCountyBar.org), or

**MAIL** to SCBA, Attn: Unsung Hero, 111 Santa Rosa Avenue, Suite 222, Santa Rosa, CA 95404; or

**FAX** to 707-542-1195