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Re: Nomination Solicitation for the Federal Bar Association's 49<sup>th</sup> Annual Justice Tom C. Clark Award

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Dear Ms. Cyr:

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PAST PRESIDENT  
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The District of Columbia Chapter of the Federal Bar Association is soliciting nominations for the 49<sup>th</sup> annual Justice Tom C. Clark Award for Outstanding Government Attorney. This is a wonderful opportunity to recognize and encourage excellence in your Agency.

The Justice Tom C. Clark Award is presented in recognition of the outstanding accomplishments by lawyers in the career service of the Federal Government in the D.C. metropolitan area or of the Government of the District of Columbia. The award honors Justice Tom C. Clark, a former Federal Bar Association President (national), for his distinguished career as a government attorney who served as Attorney General of the United States, Associate Justice of the Supreme Court and as the first Director of the Federal Judicial Center.

More than 80 agencies and departments are solicited for nominations. **All nominations must be received by Friday April 17, 2009.** A distinguished committee will make the final selection and announce its decision in May 2009. The award will be presented at a reception to be held at a date to be mutually determined by the Federal Bar Association and the agency of the recipient.

In support of each nomination, please submit a biographical overview along with a brief cover letter explaining how the nominee's career service has contributed to the Federal or District of Columbia governments. All submissions should be mailed to the following address or via email to [patriciaryan@pdrlaw.com](mailto:patriciaryan@pdrlaw.com):

Federal Bar Association  
District of Columbia Chapter  
Justice Tom C. Clark Award Committee  
P.O. Box 259  
Washington, DC 20044-0259

If you have any questions, please contact Patricia D. Ryan at 301-263-0586 or by email at [patriciaryan@pdrlaw.com](mailto:patriciaryan@pdrlaw.com).

Sincerely,

Patricia D. Ryan, Esq.  
Chair, Tom C. Clark Award  
D.C. Chapter, Federal Bar Association

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**LIST OF FORMER RECIPIENTS OF THE JUSTICE TOM C. CLARK AWARD**

David J. Anderson, U.S. Department of Justice	Victor W. Caputy, U.S. Attorney's Office
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Richard Solomon, Federal Power Commission	William C. Bryson, U.S. Department of Justice
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Dr. Charles J. Zinn, Judiciary Committee, U.S. House of Representatives	Paul Gonson, Securities and Exchange Commission
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Julia P. Cooper, Equal Employment Opportunity Commission	The Honorable Stanley Sporkin, U.S. District Court for the District of Columbia
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**JUSTICE TOM C. CLARK AWARD  
FOR OUTSTANDING GOVERNMENT LAWYER – 2009  
Federal Bar Association - District of Columbia Chapter**

**Selection Criteria and Process:**

The selection committee reviews the qualifications of the nominees in light of the purpose and nomination criteria of the Justice Tom C. Clark Award. The Justice Tom C. Clark Award is presented in recognition of the outstanding accomplishments by lawyers in the career service of the Federal Government in the D.C. Metropolitan area or of the Government of the District of Columbia. The award honors Justice Tom C. Clark, a former Federal Bar Association President (national), for his distinguished career as a government attorney who served as Attorney General of the United States, Associate Justice of the U.S. Supreme Court and as the first Director of the Federal Judicial Center.

In soliciting nominees, we ask the federal agencies to nominate individuals who fulfill one of the following criteria for the Justice Tom C. Clark Award:

1. General accomplishments – a nominee may be qualified by outstanding legal ability, scholarship and performance over a sustained period even though the specific accomplishments are not related;

Or

2. Specific accomplishments – a nominee may be qualified by virtue of a specific accomplishment which results in significant benefit to the government or to the legal profession and which constitutes a contribution to the development of public law. The accomplishment(s) of the nominee should be reasonably related in time to the year preceding the nomination.

**Submission:**

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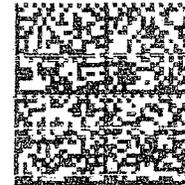
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**Dates and Venue:**

The venue and date of the award ceremony will be arranged in conjunction with the recipient's agency.

Friday, January 16, 2009:	Solicitation letters mailed
Friday, March 13, 2009:	Reminder letters mailed
Friday, April 17, 2009:	Final date for submission of a nominee
Friday, May 1-29, 2009	Review of nominees by selection committee
Friday, June 19, 2009:	Announcement of recipient of Justice Tom C. Clark Award

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