

Legal Aid Programs in Broward County Presented 2020 Annual Recognition Awards

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Fort Lauderdale partner Edward O'Sheehan was recently recognized as "Attorney of the Year" by Legal Aid Service of Broward County (LAS) and Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida (CCLA). The awards were presented during a series of on-line virtual events August 18 – 20 through the organization's Facebook pages at Facebook.com/CoasToCoastLegalAid and Facebook.com/LegalAidBroward.

Ed was singled out for his extensive involvement with Legal Aid's programs and advancing the organization's mission of providing free civil legal services to the under-privileged. His efforts have included mentoring attorneys, testifying for attorney fee cases, handling pro bono cases, and being actively involved in the Missions United Veterans Pro Bono Project, which was created to provide access to civil justice for military veterans. He has also worked hard as a member of Legal Aid's Board of Directors and provided pro bono work for the Office of the Public Guardian in Broward County for more than 15 years.

"The ongoing need for volunteer legal assistance and vital supportive services to the poor and disadvantaged affects the daily life of many people in our community, including veterans, seniors and families," said Sherylle Francis, Esq., chair of the LAS/CCLA board of directors. "These awards honor those who recognize that need and have committed themselves to serving the community."

During the series of online virtual events, thousands of legal professionals, community leaders, and friends and families watched each honoree receive their award as they made brief remarks.

Click [here](#) to watch the awards.

ABOUT EDWARD O'SHEEHAN

Edward O'Sheehan is a partner in the Fort Lauderdale office of Shutts & Bowen LLP, where he is a member of the Business Litigation Practice Group and Chair of the firm's Pro Bono Committee. Ed has over 19 years of litigation experience in consumer finance litigation, creditors' rights and bankruptcy, condominium and homeowner association litigation, probate and guardianship litigation, insurance matters, and tax appeals. Ed also provides representation for clients in matters involving *The Hague Convention on the Civil Aspects of International Child Abduction*.

ABOUT COAST TO COAST LEGAL AID OF SOUTH FLORIDA

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Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida (CCLA) is a nonprofit law firm established in 2003 and funded, in part, by the Legal Services Corporation. The mission is to improve the lives of low income persons in our community through advocacy, education, representation, and empowerment.

ABOUT LEGAL AID SERVICE OF BROWARD COUNTY

Legal Aid Service of Broward County (LAS) is a nonprofit law firm established in 1973. The mission is to provide high quality free civil legal advice, representation, and education to the poor of Broward County so as to improve the lifestyle and living conditions of the low income community and to encourage self-sufficiency. Legal Aid Service of Broward County (LAS) and Coast to Coast Legal Aid of South Florida (CCLA) are 501(c)(3) corporations registered with the Florida Department of Agriculture & Consumer services (LAS #SC-02337 and CCLA #CH19226). All donations are tax deductible to the extent allowed by law. A copy of the official registration and financial information may be obtained from the Division of Consumer Services by calling toll-free 1-800-435-7352 within the state. Registration does not imply endorsement, approval, or recommendation by the State.

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