

2018-2019 Awards Committee Final Report
Amy L. Austin, Awards Chair

This year, the Awards Committee presented the 2017 MRWBA Women of Achievement Award to Julie McConnell.

Ms. McConnell had received a nomination in the previous year for the MRWBA Award and the past-presidents committee elected to honor her this year. The Award was presented at the December luncheon, with introductions respectively by member and colleague Carolyn Grady. Entertainment was provided by pianist Tommy Whitten.

The Awards committee nominated various members of our organization for local and state-wide awards. Nominations were made for NAWBO's Enterprising Women of the Excellence Award, YWCA's Outstanding Women Awards, and the Virginia State Bar Local Bar Leader. All of the nominees received favorable consideration. We are preparing the nomination for the Specialty Bar Award for Balancing the Scales, which will be submitted by April 19, 2019.

Many members of the MRWBA were selected as Virginia Business Magazine's Legal Elite 2018 and Virginia Super Lawyers 2019.

Several nominations are due during the summer months for awards by various local bar organizations. We will work to nominate members for all of these awards and look forward to more of our members being celebrated throughout 2019-2020.