

I am grateful to members of the committee who devote a great deal of time to the process of drafting opinions, discussing and debating issues at meetings, re-drafting opinions, putting on seminars, and providing telephone support. Committee members play an important role in helping Connecticut lawyers discharge our collective obligation of self-regulation.

PUBLIC SERVICE RECOGNITION COMMITTEE

BARBARA J. COLLINS, CHAIR

PURPOSE

The Public Service Recognition Committee was created to study the activities of members of the CBA who donate professional services and/or other services to non-profit entities and needy individuals, which services are not pro bono under definition utilized by the CBA Pro Bono Committee; to promote the contribution of such services by members of the CBA; and to develop criteria by which the CBA can recognize members with the *Citizens of the Law Award* whose contributions of such services have been noteworthy. The committee also has responsibility to recognize non-lawyers who make a substantial contribution to the legal community with the *Citizen for the Law Award*.

ANNUAL REPORT

In 2007, a survey was done of members and 173 responded. The survey showed that the numerous lawyers donating many hours to help their communities. Using data from the responses to the survey, the committee recognized Susan Asselin-Connolly in the fall of 2008 with the *Citizen of the Law Award*. An article about the committee, the survey, and the recipient was in the *Connecticut Lawyer* at that time and Attorney Asselin-Connolly will be recognized at the Annual Meeting luncheon.

A second survey is to be done shortly. The committee hopes that the *Connecticut Lawyer* article and award at the Annual Meeting will generate even more responses to the survey. It is the hope of the committee to recognize at least one lawyer annually with the public service award.

Likewise the committee is reviewing ways to solicit information concerning non-lawyers and their contributions to the legal committee in order to make the Citizen for the Law Award an annual event.

STANDING COMMITTEE ON STANDARDS OF TITLE

DENIS R. CARON, CHAIR

PURPOSE

The Standing Committee on Standards of Title has the responsibility of (1) considering, formulating, and proposing new Standards of Title; (2) reviewing and updating present Standards of Title; and (3) soliciting