

Building on a Legacy: MBBA's 41st Anniversary Awards Gala

Celebrating 41 Years of Advocacy, Excellence, and Impact

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/EINPresswire.com/ -- The Metropolitan Black Bar Association ([MBBA](#)) proudly announces its 41st Anniversary Awards Gala, to be held on Friday, May 16, 2025, at Pier Sixty, Chelsea Piers in New York City.



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This year's theme, "Amplifying Our Legacy: Building on a Foundation of Excellence," reflects the MBBA's four-decade commitment to elevating Black legal professionals, fostering diversity in the legal field, and advancing justice.



We are proud to celebrate these extraordinary leaders. Their dedication to justice and equity embodies the highest ideals of our profession."

Nicole Lester Arrindell

Recognizing Outstanding Achievements in Law and Public Service

The MBBA proudly honors the remarkable contributions of these esteemed professionals:

□ Twyla Carter, Esq., Attorney-in-Chief & CEO of The Legal Aid Society – Public Servant of the Year Award

□□ Jamal Haughton, Esq., Executive Vice President, General Counsel & Corporate Secretary, Charter Communications, Inc. – Corporate Counsel of the Year Award

□ Lorraine McGowen, Esq., Partner, Orrick, Herrington & Sutcliffe LLP – Private Practitioner of the Year Award

□ James B. O'Neal, Esq., Co-Founder of Legal Outreach & Legal Outreach Organization –

Trailblazers of the Year

☐☐ Honorable Paul Wooten, Associate Justice, Appellate Division, Supreme Court of the State of New York – Jurist of the Year Award

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A Message from MBBA President Nicole Lester Arrindell

"As we mark our 41st anniversary, we are proud to celebrate the achievements of these extraordinary leaders," said MBBA President Nicole Lester Arrindell. "Their unwavering dedication to justice and equity reflects the highest ideals of our profession and strengthens the MBBA's ongoing mission."

Join Us in Celebrating Excellence

The MBBA invites its members, supporters, and the broader community to join in celebrating this milestone occasion. Sponsorship opportunities are still available, and we would be delighted to have you celebrate with us. For sponsorships, tickets, or more information about the honorees, please visit the [MBBA Gala 2025 webpage](#).

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The poster features the Metropolitan Black Bar Association logo at the top left. The main title is "41ST ANNIVERSARY AWARDS GALA HONOREES". It lists seven honorees with their photos and titles: Twyla Carter (Public Servant of the Year), Honorable Paul Wooten (Jurist of the Year), Jamal Haughton (Corporate Counsel of the Year), Lorraine McGowen (Private Practitioner of the Year), James B. O'Neal (Trailblazer of the Year), and Legal Outreach (Trailblazer of the Year). Contact information for Monique Brizz-Walker is provided at the bottom left, and the MBBA website (mbbanyc.org) is at the bottom right.

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