



THE 2016 IRVIN STANDER AWARD

The Philadelphia Bar Association – Workers' Compensation Section is pleased to announce that it is seeking nominations for the annual **Irvin Stander Award**. This award is given by the Section in memory of Workers' Compensation Judge Irvin Stander, a Philadelphia Judge who was well known for his prolific writings on workers' compensation and zoning law. Judge Stander was also a founder of the first law school course on Workers' Compensation at Temple University law school, now the Temple University Beasley School of Law.

The **Irvin Stander Award** recognizes an outstanding graduating law student who has demonstrated legal acumen or scholarship in the areas of administrative law or workers' compensation. The award committee is seeking an individual who has a demonstrated passion for administrative or workers' compensation law shown through related employment, internship, publications or other activities. The recipient of this prestigious award will receive a \$2,500.00 prize to defray the cost of the annual bar examination, as well as a plaque commemorating this honor.

See requirements and documentation necessary set forth below.



The requirements for the **Irvin Stander Award** are as follows:

- a) The applicant must be a law student during the application period who is anticipated to graduate from law school prior to the Bar examination in 2016.
- b) The applicant must be currently enrolled and actively attending a law school located in Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, Delaware or Chester counties in Pennsylvania or the applicant may be a law school student currently enrolled and actively attending a law school at any location in the United States who is a resident of Philadelphia, Pennsylvania.
- c) If the applicant does not attend a law school located in Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, or Delaware counties in Pennsylvania, and the applicant is chosen as the award recipient, then proof of residency sufficient to the award committee will be required before an award will be given to the applicant.
- d) The scholarship recipient will be invited to The Philadelphia Bar Association – Workers’ Compensation Section Awards luncheon in April, 2016 to accept the \$2,500.00 scholarship and plaque. Attendance is required barring exigent circumstances that are determined to be an acceptable excuse by the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Bar Association – Workers’ Compensation Section. Failure to attend the awards luncheon barring exigent circumstances that are determined to be acceptable by the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Bar Association – Workers’ Compensation Section may result in the forfeiture of the award at the discretion of the Executive Board of the Philadelphia Bar Association – Workers’ Compensation Section.



The following documentation is required from the applicant:

- a) A cover letter addressed to the Philadelphia Bar Association – Workers’ Compensation Section - Educational Outreach subcommittee, 1101 Market Street, 10th Floor, Philadelphia Pa 19107. The cover letter should clearly state the applicant’s name, mailing address, e-mail address, and landline or cell phone number.
- b) A résumé.
- c) An official law school transcript.
- d) One letter of recommendation, preferably from an administrative or workers’ compensation law professor who taught the applicant. If the applicant is unable to obtain a recommendation from that teacher, a letter of recommendation from any law school professor or from an employer or mentor, if the letter includes information on the applicant’s duties and aptitude relating to workers’ compensation/administrative law. No more than one letter of recommendation will be considered. No personal letters of recommendation will be considered, including letters from friends, relatives, spiritual leaders such as ministers, or public officials.
- e) A personal statement that introduces the applicant and explains why the applicant is deserving of the award, why the applicant is interested in workers’ compensation/administrative law, and how workers’ compensation/administrative law aligns with the applicant’s future goals. The word limit is 250 words. If the applicant does not attend a law school located in Philadelphia, Bucks, Montgomery, or Delaware counties in Pennsylvania, a brief supplement to the 250

word personal statement is required that should explain the applicant's connection to the Philadelphia area.

- f)** The application period runs from September 30, 2015 through January 29, 2016. **All applications must be received by the awards committee on or before January 29, 2016.**