

THE JUDGE ROBERT E. BRAUER INNOVATIONS IN BANKRUPTCY LAW AWARD

The Bankruptcy Practice Memorial Fund is pleased to announce the Judge Robert E. Brauer Innovations in Bankruptcy Law Award.

Purpose: In recognition of the most innovative use of bankruptcy law or practice within the Eastern District of Missouri, the Bankruptcy Practice Memorial Fund will present the Judge Robert E. Brauer Innovations in Bankruptcy Law Award annually at the United States Bankruptcy Court's Open House. The purpose of the Award is to recognize ideas and practices that promote the highest standards of excellence in the bankruptcy profession, to encourage creative solutions to bankruptcy problems, and to foster the development and advancement of bankruptcy practice in this District. The Award honors the service, leadership and intellectual achievements of Judge Brauer's distinguished legal career.

Selection Committee: A Selection Committee shall receive submissions commencing in January 2004, and concluding on December 15th of each year. The Selection Committee will include the Chair of the Bankruptcy Practice Memorial Fund, a past Bankruptcy Practice Memorial Fund member, past recipient(s) of the award, and attorneys representing different bankruptcy practice areas and different geographic areas throughout the Eastern District of Missouri. While the selection of committee members will be the responsibility of the Chair of the Bankruptcy Practice Memorial Fund, an effort will be made to have members with overlapping terms to preserve continuity of the Committee and knowledge of this Award program and its purpose. The Honorable Robert E. Brauer shall serve at his pleasure as a permanent member of the Committee.

Submission Process: Suggestions or nominations for the award may be submitted to any member of the Selection Committee. The names of Selection Committee members will be announced at the annual Bankruptcy Court Open House and will be published in the *St. Louis Lawyer* along with these guidelines and information about the Award. Suggestions or nominations may be made individually or on behalf of others. A person may receive the Award more than one time. The Selection Committee may request additional information relevant to the submission from the person making the nomination or the person whose idea is nominated. The names and ideas submitted shall be held in confidence until authorized for discussion and/or presentation at subsequent Open House programs. All ideas shall be submitted, considered and presented only in the highest spirit of achieving the purpose of the Award and advancing the profession.

Award Presentation: Although it is expected that the Award will be given annually, the Selection Committee may determine whether the Award will be given each year and whether one or more nominations shall receive the Award. The Bankruptcy Practice Memorial Fund will present the United States Bankruptcy Court with a permanent plaque to display honoring the recipients of the Award.

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