

# NSBA Awards History

## George H. Turner Award

2016 Hon. Lawrence Gendler  
 2015 Hon. Michael Offner (*posthumously*)  
 2014 Hon. Randall Rehmeier  
 2013 Hon. William Blue (*posthumously*)  
 2011 Hon. Theodore L. Carlson (*posthumously*)  
 2010 Robert H. Berkshire  
 2009 Douglas J. Stratton  
 Gerald L. Soucie  
 2008 John V. Hendry  
 2007 D. Milo Mumgaard  
 2006 Hon. Lyle E. Strom  
 2005 James Hewitt  
 2004 Hon. Thomas M. Shanahan  
 2003 Kevin L. Ruser  
 2002 Hon. Robert O. Hippe  
 2001 Roberta S. Stick  
 2000 Hon. James M. Murphy  
 1999 James E. Gordon  
 1998 Kim M. Robak  
 1997 Robert W. Mullin  
 1996 Michael D. Gooch  
 1995 Albert T. Reddish  
 1994 Indigent Defense Task Force  
 1993 Howard P. Olsen Jr.  
 1992 James M. Bausch  
 1991 Hon. William C. Hastings  
 1990 Hon. Gerald E. Rouse  
 1989 Ronald Volkmer  
 1988 Harvey S. Perlman  
 1987 Hon. Norman M. Krivosha  
 1986 Bennett G. Hornstein  
 1985 Thomas J. Walsh  
 1984 Hon. Lyle C. Winkle  
 1983 Robert M. Spire  
 1982 John M. Gradwohl  
 1981 Hon. Herbert A. Ronin  
 1980 Thomas R. Burke  
 1979 Daniel D. Jewell  
 1978 Thomas W. Tye  
 1977 David Dow  
 1975 Bert L. Overcash  
 1974 Jack W. Marer  
 1972 Seymour L. Smith  
 1971 Herman Ginsburg  
 1970 Hon. Paul J. Hickman  
 1969 Senator Roman L. Hruska  
 1968 Hon. Edward F. Carter  
 1966 George B. Hastings  
 1965 Clarence A. Davis  
 1964 Raymond G. Young

## Award of Special Merit

2016 ACLU of Nebraska  
 2015 James Mowbray  
 Thomas Riley  
 2014 Dennis G. Carlson  
 2012 Ron Henningsen (*posthumously*)  
 Lynda Henningsen  
*The Daily Record*  
 2011 Hon. Karen B. Flowers  
 2010 Sec. of State John Gale  
 Attorney General Jon Bruning  
 2009 Dean Patrick J. Borchers  
 Dean Steven L. Willborn  
 2008 John P. Lenich  
 2007 Robert Bartle  
 2006 Roger W. Kirst  
 2005 Hon. Alan L. Brodbeck  
 2004 David S. Houghton  
 2003 John B. Milligan  
 2002 Douglas A. Kristensen  
 2001 Jay J. Sullivan  
 2000 Omaha Law League  
 1999 Dennis R. Keefe  
 1998 Mid-American Council Juvenile  
 Diversion Program  
 Nebraska Court Appointed Special  
 Advocate (CASA) Association  
 1997 Richard C. Witt  
 1996 Hon. Richard D. Sievers  
 1994 John R. Doyle  
 1993 Charles W. Baskins  
 1992 Kathleen M. Severens  
 1991 Robert G. Scoville  
 1990 Hon. Janice L. Gradwohl  
 Hon. Robert Van Pelt  
 1989 Hon. W.W. Nuernberger  
 1988 Legal Services of SE Nebraska, Inc.  
 Omaha Legal Aid Society  
 Western Nebraska Legal Services  
 Inc.  
 1987 Hon. Robert C. McGowan  
 1985 Richard M. Van Steenberg  
 1984 Robert J. Kutak  
 1983 Richard D. Shugrue  
 James W. Hewitt  
 1982 Vard R. Johnson  
 1981 Rodney Shkolnick  
 John Strong  
 1980 Joe R. Seacrest  
 Robert D. Mullin  
 1979 Robert M. Spire  
 1978 Leo F. Clinch  
 1977 Alfred G. Ellick  
 1976 William J. Baird  
 1975 Laurens Williams  
 Jack W. Marer  
 1974 Hon. Robert R. Moran  
 1973 Murl M. Maupin  
 Lester A. Danielson

## Award of Appreciation

2016 Frank C. Heinisch  
 2015 Congressman Brad Ashford  
 2014 Senator Steven M. Lathrop  
 Governor Charles Thone  
 2013 Hon. Vernon Daniels  
 Arturo Perez  
 2012 Hon. Jeffre Cheuvront  
 2011 Hon. Gerald E. Moran  
 2010 Daphne Hyun-Jin Aronson  
 Kenneth M. Wentz III  
 Sherman P. Willis  
 2008 Deanna Lubken  
 2007 The Woods Charitable Fund  
 2006 Riko E. Bishop  
 Mark J. Young  
 2005 First National Bank  
 2004 Lawrence Raful  
 2003 Ronald R. Volkmer  
 John M. Gradwohl  
 2002 Lane Foundation  
 2001 Nebraska Mock Trial Project  
 2000 Lancaster County Juvenile  
 Court Judges  
 1999 Alan H. Frank  
 1998 Linda L. Willard  
 1997 Eileen Reilly-Buzzello  
 James E. Reisinger  
 1996 *The Omaha World Herald*  
 1995 Jung Nguyen  
 1994 Nebraska Bankers Association  
 1993 Dave Thompson (*posthumously*)  
*Omaha World Herald*  
 1992 Nebraska Association of Trial  
 Attorneys  
 Nebraska Highway Safety Program  
 1991 Reta Johnson,  
 Nebraska State Library  
 1989 Ted Larson, Lincoln  
 Southeast High School  
 National Bicentennial Competition  
 1988 Eleanor Propp, Nebraska  
 Commission for the Hearing  
 Impaired  
 1987 Kathryn E. Haugstatter,  
*Lincoln Star*  
 1986 *Scottsbluff Star Herald*  
 1985 Thomas R. Walsh,  
 Nebraska Department of  
 Education  
 1984 KFAB Radio, Tom Johnson  
 1983 Volunteers Intervening for Equity  
 1982 KETV Television,  
 Gary Nielson  
 1981 Kearney State College,  
 Brendan McDonald  
 1980 Gary Kerr,  
 WOWT Television  
 1979 Nebraska Educational Television,  
 John M. Lewis

1978 Nebraska Commission on Aging,  
David M. Howard

1977 Ceilia McNamara,  
Omaha Bar Association

1975 *Lincoln Journal*,  
Bill Kreifel

1974 *Omaha World Herald*,  
John Taylor

1973 Junior League of Omaha,  
Omaha Law Wives

1972 Donna Belle Weyers,  
Secretary of State's Office

1971 KETV Television,  
Kenneth James

1970 Maurice H. Sigler,  
Nebraska Dept. of Corrections

1969 Benjamin Goble,  
Lincoln Police Department

1968 Nebraska Association of  
Broadcasters, Paul Jensen

1966 Junior League of Omaha,  
Mrs. Tyler Gaines

1965 KMTV Television,  
Owen Saddler

1964 *Lincoln Journal News Staff*,  
Gil Savery

### **Robert M. Spire Pro Bono Award**

2016 Hon. Stephen M. Swartz, ret.

2015 Avis Andrews

2014 James H. Truell

2013 Adam R. Tripp

2012 Tara L. Gardner

2011 Ann S. Moshman

2010 Susan M. Koenig

2009 Alan D. Martin

2008 Diane B. Metz

2007 Paul M. Conley

2006 Charles R. Maser

2005 Catherine Mahern

2004 Ralph E. Peppard

2003 John V. Morgan

2002 D. C. "Woody" Bradford

2001 Charles A. Nye  
Stephen A. Scherr

2000 Mary L. Wilson

1999 Mark R. Widell

1998 Martin J. Kushner (*posthumously*)

1997 Gail S. Perry

1996 Connie Kearney  
Robert F. Martin

1995 Paul W. Rea

1994 The Marks & Clare Firm

1993 Michael D. Matejka

1992 J. Marvin Weems

1991 Earl D. Ahlschwede

1990 Clark J. Grant

1989 James W. Crampton

1988 James R. Nisley

1987 Paul W. Korslund

1986 David Perlman

1985 John W. Ballew Jr.

### **President's Professionalism Award**

2016 Lyle Koenig  
Richard Moberly

2014 Hon. Lyle E. Strom

2013 Hon. Teresa Luther

2012 James E. Rembolt

2011 Christopher M. Ferdico

2010 Richard A. Knudsen

2009 Robert H. Berkshire

2008 Kevin Colleran (*posthumously*)

2007 Brenda Council

2006 Hon. Warren K. Urbom

2005 Vincent Dowding  
Terry Grennan

2003 John B. Milligan

### **NSBA Diversity Award**

2016 UNO Goodrich Scholarship Program

2015 Linda R. Crump

2014 Rita L. Melgares

2013 Frederick Franklin  
Fredericks Peebles & Morgan, LLP

2012 Baird Holm LLP

2011 Fraser Stryker PC LLO  
Hon. Vernon Daniels

2010 Kutak Rock LLP  
Baird Holm LLP

### **Outstanding Contributor to Women in the Law Award**

2016 Linda R. Crump

2015 Kathleen Neary

2014 Glenda J. Pierce

2013 Hon. Karen B. Flowers

2012 Marsha E. Fangmeyer

2011 Dean Susan Poser  
Dean Marianne Culhane

2010 Deborah R. Gilg

2009 Susan Ann Koenig

2008 Marilyn B. Hutchinson

2007 Roberta Stick

2006 Eleanor Knoll Swanson

2005 Hon. Laurie Smith Camp

2004 Hon. Janice L. Gradwohl

### **Outstanding Young Lawyer Award**

2016 Breanna Anderson

2015 Jaclyn N. Daake

2014 Sara VanBrandwijk

2013 Ross R. Pesek

2012 Heidi M. Hayes

2011 Bradley A. Sipp

2010 Karine E. Sokpoh

2009 Brian Davis

### **Visionary Award**

2016 Karisa D. Johnson  
Omaha Bar Association

2015 Senator Danielle M. Conrad  
Michael F. Kinney

2014 Fitzgerald Vetter & Temple  
Michelle M. Mitchell  
Mark Jacobs

2013 Michael T. Brogan  
Kim M. Seacrest  
Margaret M. Zarbano

2012 James E. Schneider  
Jackson Lewis, LLP

2011 Kutak Rock, LLP  
Larry W. Beucke