

STATE BAR OF MICHIGAN

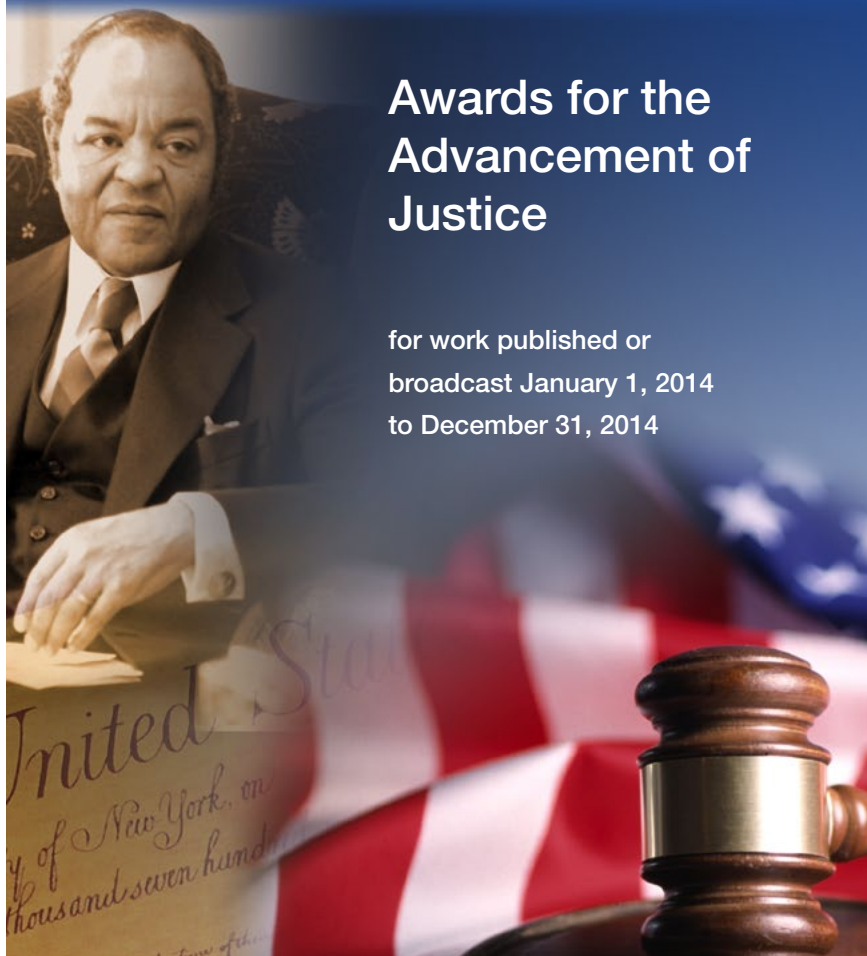
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Nominations
Announcement

Wade H. McCree, Jr.

Awards for the Advancement of Justice

for work published or
broadcast January 1, 2014
to December 31, 2014



Print, Online, and Broadcast Awards for Journalists

A portrait of Wade H. McCree, Jr., an African American man with short, dark hair, wearing a dark suit, white shirt, and patterned tie. He is looking slightly to the left of the camera with a serious expression. The background is a soft, out-of-focus indoor setting.

Wade H. McCree, Jr.

Judge McCree was dedicated to advancing greater understanding of the role of a free press in a free society. During a remarkable career that included service as a federal judge, professor of law, and solicitor general of the United States, he touched the lives of millions of Americans. Judge McCree was an early and dedicated supporter of the establishment of the Advancement of Justice Awards. The awards were renamed in 1987 to honor not only him, but also those who receive the Wade H. McCree Jr. Awards for the Advancement of Justice.

The objective of the awards competition is to give statewide recognition to written materials, radio/television broadcasts, and multimedia pieces published or aired between January 1 and December 31, 2014, that:

- Foster greater public understanding of the inherent values of our legal and judicial system;
- Inform and educate citizens as to the role of the law, the courts, law enforcement agencies, and the legal profession in today's society;
- Disclose practices and procedures in need of correction or improvement; and
- Encourage and promote legal and state legislative efforts to update and modernize our laws, courts, and law enforcement agencies.

The panel of judges will evaluate entries based on originality, effectiveness, thoroughness, and newsworthiness. Relevance to the award criteria outlined is paramount. Topics must be clearly dominated by justice themes.

Michigan newspapers, online publications, wire services, news syndicates, magazines, radio stations, television stations, legal publications, networks and their employees are eligible to enter the awards competition.

There is no entry fee.

Entry Requirements

Print and online entries may consist of feature articles, news articles, interpretive analyses, editorials, or combinations of these. Submit a cover letter containing a hyperlink to your entry online, or submit a cover letter and four printed copies of your entry and/or four DVDs or four flash drives containing your entry.

Broadcast entries may consist of radio and/or televised documentary, educational or editorial programs. Submit a cover letter and hyperlink to your entry online, or submit a cover letter along with four CDs or four flash drives, plus four copies of short synopses of programs that include program title, broadcast date and other pertinent details, and, if possible, scripts.

Note: Please make sure that websites, CDs, DVDs, flash drives, and all other submitted materials are in working order. Defective websites, links, and other materials will not be judged. Materials submitted for this competition will not be returned

Up to three prizes may be awarded in both the print/online and broadcast categories. To preserve the integrity of the awards, the State Bar reserves the right to withhold awards in any category.

Awards will be presented in **April 2015** at Michigan State University's Kellogg Center in conjunction with the Michigan Journalism Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony.

All entries must have been published or broadcast between **January 1 and December 31, 2014**, and postmarked no later than **Friday, February 6, 2015**.

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About the State Bar of Michigan

Established in 1935, the State Bar of Michigan is composed of more than 43,000 attorneys and judges. The State Bar's purposes, as set forth by the Michigan Supreme Court, are "to aid in promoting improvements in the administration of justice and advancements in jurisprudence, improving relations between the legal profession and the public, and promoting the interests of the legal profession in this state." The SBM Law and the Media Committee, comprised of attorneys who volunteer to take part in the effort, oversees the McCree Awards.

WADE H. McCREE, Jr.

ENTRY FORM

Name _____

Title _____

Organization _____

Address _____

Phone _____

E-mail _____

Other contributors _____

You are encouraged to submit a cover letter summarizing your entry.

You may enter as many times as you wish. **This entry form or a copy must accompany each entry.** Each form is downloadable at www.michbar.org. Click on Media Resources, and then Events and Awards.

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