

TMAA Names McGannon Distinguished Municipal Attorney

The Tennessee Municipal Attorneys Association named Susan Emery McGannon as the first recipient of the organization's Distinguished Municipal Attorney Award at the organization's Winter Seminar on February 19. Ms. McGannon is the former City Attorney of Murfreesboro. She retired from that position on November 1, 2015.

Laura Keeton, TMAA President, noted in announcing the award that Ms. McGannon is a gifted lawyer who has always been willing to share her expertise with other members of the association. She served twice as TMAA President and has served on the Tennessee Continuing Legal Education Commission as well as on the state Board of Professional Responsibility.

Ms. McGannon has also made her mark nationally, serving on the board of the International Municipal Lawyers Association. She received and has maintained the prestigious designation as an IMLA Local Government Fellow. In 2008 she was awarded the IMLA Joseph I. Mulligan Distinguished Public Service Award.

Ms. McGannon was involved in municipal law long before her stint as Murfreesboro City Attorney. She served that city as assistant city attorney beginning in 1992 and was named City Attorney in 2001. Before serving Murfreesboro she was General Counsel of the TML Risk Management Pool. Before going to work directly with these public entities, Ms. McGannon was a partner in the storied municipal law firm of Stokes and Bartholomew.

The TMAA Distinguished Municipal Attorney Award is to be given at most once annually at the organization's Winter Seminar and was established to recognize extraordinary accomplishment in municipal law and benefit to the organization itself.