

## **IMLA MARVIN J. GLINK PRIVATE PRACTICE LOCAL GOVERNMENT LAWYER OF THE YEAR - CRITERIA**

IMLA established this award to honor the memory of Marvin J. Glink by recognizing a private practitioner who as part of a private practice represents a local government and who exhibits those qualities that made Marvin Glink one of the truly remarkable lawyers working on behalf of public clients. In addition to the traditional qualities of excellence in the practice of law, the award seeks to recognize a practitioner who has provided outstanding service to the public and who possesses an exemplary reputation in the legal community, the highest of ethical standards and who is devoted to mentoring young lawyers and educating lawyers in local government law. The Awards Committee supports the goal of diversity in the membership and leadership of the profession. As such, promoting and achieving diversity is considered carefully in selecting a person to receive this award. To be eligible, a nominee must meet the following criteria:

- To be selected a nominee must be in private practice and as part of that practice represent a local government.
- The nominee must have substantial experience representing local governments and be recognized as such.
- The nominee must be an active participant in IMLA.
- Although the nominee's excellent qualities and service exemplified throughout their years of practice will be taken into consideration, the award primarily recognizes outstanding achievements during the course of the preceding year.

The following qualities either in the course of the past year or during the course of the nominee's practice may be considered by the Awards Committee in its selection of the recipient of the Private Practice Public Lawyer of the Year Award (as this is an annual award, emphasis will be placed on those features that have occurred during the past year):

- Demonstrated commitment of the nominee to the practice of public law.
- Use of innovative or creative problem-solving by the nominee in the practice of public law.
- Demonstrated commitment to mentoring and teaching young lawyers to enhance their skills and knowledge of the law.
- Scholarly publications or presentations that foster the development and understanding of municipal law.
- Exceptional accomplishments by the nominee in the practice of public law.
- Contributions by the nominee to the public and to the legal profession, above and beyond his or her occupational duties.
- Exhibits high level of professionalism and exemplary integrity, diligence and personal conduct.