



MICHIGAN JUDGES ASSOCIATION

Hilda Gage Judicial Excellence Award Nomination – Instructions

The Michigan Judges Association (MJA) is accepting nominations for its Hilda Gage Judicial Excellence Award. The award is named in honor of the late Judge Hilda Gage. Judge Gage served on the Court of Appeals and Oakland Circuit Bench before passing away in 2010. She was renowned for her courage and scholarship. Judge Gage was the first female President of MJA and the first female chairperson of the Judicial Tenure Commission.

In 2010, MJA created the Hilda Gage Award to recognize judicial excellence. Each year, the Association recognizes a current or former judge who demonstrates:

- Competence in docket management and managing trials;
- Contributions to the profession;
- Contributions to legal scholarship;
- Contributions to the community.

The nominee must be a member in good standing of the MJA and must have served as a Court of Appeals or Circuit Court Judge as some point in his/her career. Past recipients of the Hilda Gage Judicial Excellence Award are:

Hon. Christopher Yates	2019
Hon. Thomas Solka	2018
Hon. James Alexander	2017
Hon. Alton Tom Davis	2016
Hon. Timothy Connors	2015
Hon. Joan Young	2014
Hon. Barry Howard	2013
Hon. James Kingsley	2012
Hon. James Ryan	2011
Hon. J. Richardson Johnson	2010

The nominations are evaluated by a blue-ribbon committee consisting of attorneys and both current and former judges. The nomination package should include:

- The nomination form;
- The nominee's curriculum vitae;
- Any supporting letters or other information.

The nomination form is also available on the MJA website (mijudge.org). You should submit all materials in one package. The nominations must be received by June 25, 2021. Please mail or email (preferred) the nomination package to:

Hon. Gerald M. Prill
52nd Circuit Court, Huron County
250 East Huron Avenue, Suite 207, Bad Axe, MI 48413
prillg@co.huron.mi.us



Hilda Gage Nomination Form

Nominee name: _____
Nominee address: _____
Nominee telephone number: _____
Nominee e-mail address: _____
Nominating party's name: _____
Nominating party's address: _____
Nominating party's telephone: _____
Nominating party's email address: _____
Years of Judicial Service: _____
County(ies) of Judicial Service: _____

Any other information the committee should consider (attach additional pages if needed). **PLEASE ATTACH A CURRICULUM VITAE OF THE NOMINATED JUDGE.**

Does the nominee know that you are nominating him or her? Yes ____ No ____

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