

TACDL Annual Award Recipients

Since 1992, TACDL has given special recognition awards to people who have done extraordinary work in three areas:

Robert W. Ritchie Award for outstanding services to TACDL

- 1992 **Robert D. Massey** (Leadership as President)
- 1993 **The Criminal Justice Funding Crisis Group** - Gary L. Anderson, Lionel R. Barrett, Jr., N. Reese Bagwell, Richard Dinkins, Charles Dooley, Robert M. Friedman, Isaiah "Skip" Gant, Harris Gilbert, Robert D. Massey, William Moore, Jr., Joseph L. Patterson, Randall E. Reagan, William P. Redick, Jr., James Russell, and AC Wharton - (Work with Spangenberg & raising attorney's fees for appointed cases)
- 1994 **Kevin Batts** and **Kenneth F. Irvine, Jr.** (New look of *For the Defense*)
- 1995 **Martin G. Szeigis** (Work as CLE Committee Chair)
- 1996 **Joseph S. Ozment, David M. Seigel** and **Wendy Tucker** (outstanding CLE year)
- 1997 **Donald E. Dawson** (Work as Post-Conviction Defender)
- 1998 **W. Mark Ward** (Active volunteer and work on various projects)
- 1999 **Paula R. Voss** (Re-activating the Amicus Committee)
- 2000 **R. Scott Carpenter and Mark E. Stephens** with support staff (Developing, hosting and maintaining website)
- 2001 **Stephen G. Young** (Years of work as Legislative Chair)
- 2002 **C. Dawn Deaner** (Middle TN CLE organizer and work on updating the Forensic Expert database)
- 2003 **Jerry P. Black** (for commitment to teaching goals, aspiration and principles of quality criminal defense to his students)
- 2004 **William D. Massey and Lorna S. McClusky** (Dedication and commitment in producing TACDL's annual Criminal Defense College [TCDC])
- 2005 **Paul J. Morrow, Jr.** (for many years of outstanding service to TACDL)
- 2006 **Richard M. McGee** (Outstanding service for the betterment of the Association)
- 2007 **Mark Stephens & Julia M. Auer** (envisioning & creating *Ritchie Commemorative Edition*)
- 2008 **Wade V. Davies** (In appreciation of his written legal advocacy, on behalf of TACDL and the accused across Tennessee)
- 2009

The Death Penalty Award

For outstanding work in the anti-death penalty arena

- 1992 **William P. Redick and Henry A. Martin** (Years of dedicated capital case work)
- 1993 **The Capital Case Resource Center** (Staff)
- 1994 **Gary L. Anderson** (Work from the University of Tennessee Law Clinic)
- 1995 **Isaiah "Skip" Gant** (Taco Bell murder defendants)
- 1996 **Paul J. Morrow, Jr.** (Zealous advocacy in the death penalty area)
- 1997 **John G. Oliva** (Years of committed anti-death penalty work)
- 1998 **Bradley A. MacLean** (Continuing work on Abu Ali Abdur' Rahman's case as a civil attorney)
- 1999 **Donald E. Dawson** (Work as the TN Post-Conviction Defender)
- 2000 **Mary Ann Green** (Relentless work on Harold Nichols' case)
- 2001 **William D. Massey and Lorna S. McClusky** (Repeated successful representations of citizens charged with capital crimes in Memphis)
- 2002 **Brock Mehler**
- 2003 **Kelly Gleason** (Determination, ability, and talent to educate and prepare us for the Fight for Life)
- 2004 **Gerald D. Skahan** (27 death penalty cases in 7 years without one having been lost to a death verdict)
- 2005 **James A. Simmons** (Extraordinary work in the anti-death penalty arena)
- 2006 **Ronald L. Lax** (Extraordinary work in the arena of capital defense investigations)
- 2007 **Michael J. Passino** (for years of extraordinary commitment & relentless diligence)

2008 **Karla G. Gothard** (A tenacious courtroom advocate, teacher, and mentor in the battle against the death penalty in Tennessee)

2009

Joseph B. Jones Award

for lifetime achievement in the areas of criminal defense and the law

1998 *In memoriam of The Honorable Joe B. Jones*

2000 **Lionel R. Barrett, Jr.**

2001 **Robert W. Ritchie**

2006 *In memoriam of Robert W. Ritchie*

2007 **Herbert S. Moncier** (for outstanding lifetime achievement in criminal defense)

2008 *In memoriam of Ross E. Alderman* (In appreciation of his leadership and achievement as a career advocate for the indigent and the accused; for his many years of public service, most recently as the Public Defender for Nashville and Davidson County; and for his friendship and support to the members of TACDL)

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