



2023 Justice Potter Stewart Award Dinner

Sponsorship Opportunities

May 2023 (Date TBA)

6 PM Reception

7 PM Dinner & Award Presentation

Location: Organization of American States

ABOUT CCE

As a catalyst for change for 40 years, the Council for Court Excellence (CCE) is a nonpartisan, nonprofit organization that envisions a justice system in the District of Columbia that equitably serves its people and acts as a beacon of justice and equity. CCE's work includes projects touching the criminal, civil, and juvenile justice systems. Here's how CCE identifies and proposes solutions:

- ❖ We convene diverse stakeholders to discuss important issues of justice in our community;
- ❖ We evaluate through research and study, digging deep into issues of law and policy, and making data-driven recommendations;
- ❖ We advocate for change to advance policy; and
- ❖ We educate the public and increase civic engagement.

Throughout our history, CCE has always led the charge in making the District's legal system and courts effective, efficient, and fair for everyone. Watch "[Get to Know the Council for Court Excellence](#)" and learn more about some of our recent accomplishments in our [2022 Highlights](#).

26th JUSTICE POTTER STEWART AWARD DINNER

CCE will host the 26th annual awards dinner in 2023. Each year, this dinner brings together more than 300 of D.C.'s leading businesses and law firms as sponsors and attendees.

The Justice Potter Stewart Award recognizes individuals and organizations whose work on behalf of the administration of justice has made a significant contribution to the law or the legal system in our nation's capital. Over the years, CCE has recognized some of the area's most high-profile people and companies; see the full list [HERE](#).

Learn more about your opportunity to support CCE's work to build better justice while expanding your company, law firm or association's profile and promoting a culture of giving back.

WHY SPONSOR OUR EVENT?

Our Justice Potter Stewart Award Dinner is one of the principal fundraising events for CCE that brings together some of the D.C. area's most high-profile legal and business leaders. Not only will your sponsorship provide you visibility to several thousand Washington area professionals, but it also supports our portfolio of justice-related initiatives in Criminal Justice, Civil Justice, Youth Justice and Justice Education. CCE's work directly benefits justice-impacted residents, individuals who don't have access to a lawyer, and other vulnerable groups in your community. We hope that you will join others in the effort to support building better justice by becoming a sponsor, or sending a gift in support of this prestigious event.

- ❖ **JOIN THE MOVEMENT** to change lives and make a real impact for vulnerable communities disproportionately impacted by the justice system.
- ❖ **GIVE BACK** to your community by helping those who need it most.
- ❖ **INCREASE** your brand exposure and elevate your corporate identity within the community.
- ❖ **STRENGTHEN** your company's reputation as a good corporate citizen to your customers, employees and local residents.

CONTACT US

- ❖ For more information about event sponsorship, please contact Sarah Baczewski, Development Manager. 202-785-5917 x102. Sarah.baczewski@courtexcellence.org



The 26th Annual Justice Potter Stewart Award

Honoring



Avis E. Buchanan, Public Defender Service of the District of Columbia (Ret.)

As the former Director of PDS, Avis E. Buchanan supported the delivery of defense and related legal and non-legal services to people charged with crimes in the local District of Columbia courts who cannot afford to hire an attorney. She also led PDS in its representation of children in delinquency cases and of people in civil commitment matters in the city's mental health courts. After graduating from Michigan State University and Harvard Law School, Ms.

Buchanan worked as a law clerk for the late Hon. Theodore J. McMillian of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit. In 1982, Buchanan joined PDS, doing criminal defense work for six and a half years. For the next 13 years, Buchanan served as a staff attorney, director of the Equal Employment Opportunity Project, and then director of Litigation at the Washington Lawyers' Committee for Civil Rights and Urban Affairs, where she was primarily responsible for litigating individual and class action employment and public accommodations cases in various federal and local courts. Buchanan rejoined PDS in 2002 as its Deputy Director. She was PDS's Director from 2004 until her retirement in 2022.



Hon. Karl A. Racine, Outgoing Attorney General for the District of Columbia

The Hon. Karl A. Racine became the District of Columbia's first elected Attorney General in 2015. In office, Racine fought relentlessly for all residents – but particularly for the most vulnerable Washingtonians to help build a stronger, more just, and more equitable District for today and tomorrow. While Attorney General, he prioritized employing evidence-based juvenile justice reforms, cracking down on slumlords, holding unscrupulous employers accountable for wage theft, and protecting consumers from scams and

abusive business practices. Over the course of his career, he has worked at the Public Defender Service, served as Associate White House Counsel to President Bill Clinton, and worked on criminal cases and complex civil litigation at private firms. While in private practice, he was elected managing partner of his firm, Venable LLP, and became the first African-American managing partner of a top-100 American law firm. Outside of his official role, Racine remains involved with a variety of causes, including youth literacy and mentoring.

Project CHANGE, D.C.'s hospital-based violence intervention program (HVIP)



Project CHANGE is the District of Columbia's coordinated hospital-based violence intervention program. Begun in 2016, Project CHANGE now encompasses all trauma centers serving the District's residents and visitors.

MedStar Washington Hospital Center's Community Violence Intervention Program (CVIP), **Howard University Hospital's** TRIUMPH Program, **University of Maryland Medical Center Capital Region Health's** Capital Area Violence

Intervention Program (CAPVIP), **George Washington University Hospital's** and **United Medical Center's** Far Southeast Family Supportive Collaborative Hospital Responder Program, and **Children's National Hospital's** Violence Intervention Program for Youth are all active members of the program. Through this dynamic collaboration, any victim of community violence in the District of Columbia has access to critical, lifesaving post-injury support and ensure that the services provided at each hospital meet minimum standards of care, are working together to build the careers of the violence interventionists serving the hospitals, and are receiving high-quality, continuous training. Since its inception, Project CHANGE partner sites have served over 2,000 victims of community violence.



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Project CHANGE

DC's hospital-based violence intervention program

SPONSORSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Sponsorship includes:	CHAIR'S CIRCLE \$25,000	JUSTICE CHAMPION \$10,000	JUSTICE LEADER \$5,000	JUSTICE PATRON \$1,000	JUSTICE ADVOCATE \$500
Reception and dinner seats	10 (premium)	8 (priority)	5	2	1
Event publicity: e-newsletter, web page, and program	Large Logo with website link	Logo with website link	Listing	Listing	Listing
Event invitation listing (if timely)	✓	✓	✓		
Rotating recognition on display at dinner	✓ Featured Solo Logo	✓ Logo	Listing Only		
Live acknowledgment from podium	2x	1x			
Social media mention prior to & during event	✓ Solo Feature	✓ Group Recognition			
Special introductions to & photos with honorees	✓				
Speaking opportunity or video at dinner	✓				

Seating is limited. Tickets held at the door. **Sponsorships available for purchase online [HERE](#).**

For questions or comments, please contact: Sarah Baczewski at 202.785.5917 x102 or sarah.baczewski@courtextcellence.org.

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