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The 26th annual national awards will be held on Monday, May 19, 2025 at the Library of Congress.

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The Burton Awards program is run in association with the Library of Congress. The non-profit event is held each year to honor distinguished writers and recognize leaders in law, including those counsel belonging to America's most prestigious law firms. Patterned after the Pulitzers, the program has become one of the most prominent and dynamic awards programs in law. While the emphasis is on writing, the program is also geared towards rewarding legal achievement in many other areas of law. For example, awards are also given to general counsel for their distinguished careers in law, and even to lawyers in the military.



Above left: The venerable architecture of the Library of Congress *Above right:* Dinner at the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery 2023.

Below left: Watching the spectacular entertainment of singer-songwriter Sara Bareilles. *Below right:* U.S. Senator Tim Kaine speaks during the Awards Program held in the Coolidge Auditorium.



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This award is presented to partners and counsel in law firms who have written outstanding articles that are clear, concise, and comprehensive. An article published between November 18, 2023, and October 31, 2024, is submitted for consideration at no fee or cost. One author or co-author must be a partner at the firm at the date the article was written, and the subject of the article can be devoted to any legal topic. The article may have appeared in any printed publication, whether written for lawyers or for consumers.

Category: Law School

This award is presented to law school students who have written outstanding articles that are clear, concise, and comprehensive. The winning article must have a publication date between November 18, 2023, and October 31, 2024, even if it was actually printed at a later date. The subject of the article can be devoted to any legal topic, and the length of the article is not limited. The article may have appeared in any publication printed at the student's law school, including law reviews and journals, and may be a note, a comment, or an article.

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