# 2014 JVR Awards for Trial Lawyer Excellence

More than 250 trial attorneys and Illinois judges were in attendance on the evening of October 16th as the Jury Verdict Reporter, a division of Chicago-based Law Bulletin Publishing Company, hosted its annual Jury Verdict Reporter Awards Ceremony & Reception in the Crystal Gardens on Navy Pier. Twenty-six professionals from both sides of the trial bar received individual Trial Lawyer Excellence awards in one of eleven 2014 categories.

Additionally, plaintiff attorney Patricia C. Bobb, defense counsel Donald Segal, and Judge William D. Maddux were recognized with Lifetime Achievement awards for their body of trial work, leadership, mentoring and contributions to the legal community.



## LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS

Patricia C. Bobb Patricia C. Bobb & Associates

Donald Segal Segal McCambridge Singer & Mahoney Ltd

Hon. William D. Maddux Kravolec Jambois & Schwartz

### Congratulations to these trial attorneys for outstanding representation of their clients

#### HIGHEST REPORTED ILLINOIS VERDICT OR SETTLEMENT IN A DOG BITE CASE

Devon C. Bruce, Power Rogers & Smith, PC

OUTSTANDING DEFENSE VERDICT IN A CONSTRUCTION ZONE VEHICLE ACCIDENT CASE

Lori A. Vanderlaan, Best Vanderlaan & Harrington | Christina M. Tribbia, Best Vanderlaan & Harrington

#### HIGHEST REPORTED WINNEBAGO COUNTY "WORK INJURY" VERDICT OR SETTLEMENT

Mark Novak, Anesi Ozmon Rodin Novak & Kohen, Ltd | Marc A. Taxman, Anesi Ozmon Rodin Novak & Kohen, Ltd | Douglas A. Colby, Anesi Ozmon Rodin Novak & Kohen, Ltd

#### **OUTSTANDING DEFENSE VERDICT IN A COMMON CARRIER CASE**

Melissa A. Durkin, Chicago Transit Authority | Geri Pinzur Rosenberg, Chicago Transit Authority

#### HIGHEST ILLINOIS VERDICT OR SETTLEMENT FOR AN UNNECESSARY HYSTERECTOMY

Keith A. Hebeisen, Clifford Law Offices  $\mid$  Brian S. Shallcross, Clifford Law Offices

#### **OUTSTANDING DEFENSE VERDICT IN A PREMISES LIABILITY CASE**

Chadwel D. Kasdin, Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP | Robert T. Shannon, Hinshaw & Culbertson, LLP

#### HIGHEST REPORTED ILLINOIS VERDICT OR SETTLEMENT FOR HEARING LOSS

Martin J. Healy, Jr., The Healy Scanlon Law Firm | Terrence J.T. Geoghegan, The Healy Scanlon Law Firm

#### **DEFENSE CAREER ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS**

Kay L. Schichtel, Swanson Martin & Bell, LLP | John M. Stalmack, Ruberry Stalmack & Garvey, LLC Louis A. Varchetto, Mulherin Rehfeldt & Varchetto, PC

#### HIGHEST REPORTED ILLINOIS VERDICT OR SETTLEMENT FOR PARAPLEGIA IN A PLAINTIFF AGE 60 OR OVER

Richard L. Pullano, Law Offices of Richard L. Pullano, PC | Mathew T. Siporin, Law Offices of Richard L. Pullano, PC

#### **OUTSTANDING DEFENSE VERDICT IN AN AUTOMOBILE PERSONAL INJURY CASE**

John W. Patton, Jr., Patton & Ryan, LLC | C. Zachary Vaughn (formerly of Patton & Ryan)

#### HIGHEST REPORTED ILLINOIS VERDICT OR SETTLEMENT SINCE LAST YEAR'S EVENT

Linda D. Friedman, Stowell & Friedman, Ltd | Suzanne E. Bish, Stowell & Friedman, Ltd | George S. Robot, Stowell & Friedman, Ltd | Jennifer Schoen Gilbert, Stowell & Friedman, Ltd | Mary Stowell & Friedman, Ltd





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