**NARCA 2017 Awards & Scholarship Recipients Announced**

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2017 NARCA Awards Recipients

NARCA – The National Creditors Bar Association™ presented its 2017 NARCA Awards and Scholarships on Friday, October 13, 2017 at the NARCA 2017 Fall Conference in Washington, D.C.

NARCA Scholarships

NARCA has awarded its 2017 Scholarships to four college students. The scholarship program was established to promote financial literacy to our future leaders of our communities. Applicants were asked to submit a video or essay on the topic “Should financial literacy be required curriculum for high school students?” The submissions were judged on originality, clarity and insight on the subject. This year’s scholarships were sponsored by Stratus Payment Solutions.

First Place Winner – Joshua Chaney

Joshua Chaney, from the law firm Zarzaur and Schwartz, received the $5000 Award. He is a senior studying communications with a concentration in radio and television at Alabama State University.

Second Place Winner – Evelyn Saunders

Evelyn Saunders, from the law firm Randolph, Boyd, Cherry and Vaughan, received the $1000 Award. She is a freshman studying architecture at The University of Virginia.

Honorable Mention – Griffin Scott

Griffin Scott, from Sayer Law Group, received a $500 Award. He is a junior studying economics and finance at The University of Northern Iowa.

Honorable Mention – Robert Tromberg

Robert Tromberg, from Gladstone Law Group, received a $500 Award. He is a freshman studying economics with concentrations in finance, business economics, and public policy at the University of Pennsylvania.

NARCA 2017 Outstanding SCBA Award

This award recognizes the State Creditors Bar Association which has best demonstrated high level activity in the legal community and NARCA, and which has overcome significant challenges.

The NARCA 2017 Outstanding SCBA Award was presented to the Maryland-DC Creditors Bar Association, for fighting off an exemption bill by forming a coalition with the bankers and landlord tenant lobby. Nathan Willner accepted the award on behalf of the Association.

NARCA 2017 Community Service Award

This award recognizes a firm which donated generously to their community.

The NARCA 2017 Community Service Award was presented to Tobin & Marohn, for raising over $30,000 for Cure for Cancer through numerous activities. In addition to the firm’s recognition, the recipient receives a check to the charity of their choice: The Connecticut Chapter of the Cystic Fibrosis Foundation (The Rose Ball Event). William L. Marohn accepted the award on behalf of the firm.

NARCA 2017 President's Award

This award recognizes someone who demonstrates leadership within the NARCA community. NARCA President Harvey Moore presented the award to two recipients:

Alane A. Becket, with the firm Becket & Lee, LLP in Malvern, PA, and Mark Groves, with the firm Glasser and Glasser, P.L.C. in Norfolk, VA.

NARCA 2017 Donald Kramer Award

This award recognizes someone whose work has changed the creditors rights industry and community forever. In breaking with tradition, NARCA honored an organization instead of an individual for this year’s award.

The American Bar Association was selected to be the recipient of the National Creditor Bar Association’s 2017 Don Kramer Award for “tirelessly working to preserve the independence of the legal profession and the judiciary along with the long-standing tradition of the governance of the practice of law by state supreme courts and the state bar associations.”

Accepting the award on behalf of the American Bar Association was NARCA Member and Parliamentarian, Marvin Dang. Mr. Dang, whose law firm is based in Honolulu, Hawaii also serves as a leader with the ABA as Chair-elect of the 63,000 member Senior Lawyers Division for 2017-2018.

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