

LAW DAY CEREMONY
THE ELIZABETH C. PRICE AWARD

Good Morning, President Judge Cronin, Honored Judges,
Honored Guests, Fellow Lawyers, Ladies and Gentlemen.

My name is Andrew D'Amico and I am here on behalf of the greatest bar association in the country. I say that because the Delaware County Bar Association is composed, I suggest to you of the greatest jurists, trial lawyers, lawyers of every speciality, from criminal law through estates and trusts, from elder law to copyrights, patents and trademarks - virtually law of every kind.

And it is also comprised of the greatest administrative staff, each of whom are dedicated, trustworthy and committed to the highest ideals, including our own beloved Elizabeth C. Price, our Executive Director, who is here with us today. And in her honor and the honor of the Bar Association, each year we award this special recognition known as the Elizabeth C. Price Award, to be given to a person whose dedication, integrity and loyalty to the Bar Association most closely exemplifies her commitment to excellence, and that of all Judges and lawyers, who work so closely together with our Bar Association to serve the public, and to reflect the theme of this most prestigious law day "*to grow strong citizens*".

It is my privilege to present this award to one of my colleagues, a fellow trial lawyer, who has given service to the Delaware County Bar Association throughout his entire career since 1975.

In 1997, he was our President after serving numerous offices. In 1989, he became the President of the Pennsylvania Trial Lawyers Association.

Our recipient graduated with a Bachelor's Degree in 1970 from Villanova University and was a graduate of the University School of Law in 1975.

In addition to being a past recipient of the E. Wallace Chadwick Memorial Award and The Honorable Paul R. Sand Award, he has received Citation of Excellence from the House of Representatives of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, recognizing him as a citizen, whose achievements has brought great distinction to other citizens, the community and the State.

His exemplary record was not only recognized there for his leadership in this Commonwealth, but also nationally when he received the Vietnam Service Medal and Vietnam Campaign Medal. He served in the United States Navy from 1970 to 1972, while serving in the Vietnam War, and before being honorably discharged from the United States Navy, he achieved the rank of Lieutenant, J.G.

His accomplishments speak volumes, including his numerous publications, especially the one he is most noted for "Pennsylvania Motor Vehicle Insurance - A Analysis of the Financial Responsibility Law", the Bible in auto law.

As you can see, I affectionately speak of this gentleman as a fellow trial lawyer and perhaps there is a soft spot in my heart because in 1997 when he was President of our Bar Association, he appointed me as the Chairman of the Alternative Dispute Resolution Committee. If not for that appointment, I never would have received the opportunity to serve in that capacity.

This gentleman is so much more than the accomplishments I have noted. The word motivation means different things to different people.

The motivation of our recipient and his extraordinary work ethic helped steer the path of this Bar Association and so many lives. He looks forward to each day and emerges himself in life with a capital "L". He finds love, passion and enjoyment in everything he does, knowing that each day he gives everything that he has. He is married to Kathleen and has two children Jennifer and Christopher.

I believe I have suggested to you that his drive, determination and refusal to give up, are characteristic of our recipient.

Today we are celebrating Leonard A. Sloane, Esquire as an individual who over the years has continuously stood up and took action. Today we are celebrating his enthusiasm, his commitment, and his sheer hard work, as a member and citizen of the legal community.

The word fatigue is not within his vocabulary.

Would Leonard A. Sloane, Esquire please come forward.

Please join me in recognizing Len Sloane by presenting him with the Elizabeth C. Price Award.

Len, please accept this recognition in our sincere appreciation of all that you have done for the Delaware County Bar Association, its Bench and its Bar, and all of the citizens of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.