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NDAA Announces Distinguished Prosecutor and Faculty Awards

ARLINGTON, VA – This week, the National District Attorneys Association (NDAA) announced its 2020 Distinguished Prosecutor and Distinguished Faculty Award winners during its 2020 Summer Summit Virtual Series entitled, “The Challenge of Change: Prosecutors Leading the Way.” Each year, NDAA recognizes prosecutors who have distinguished themselves as they seek justice, hold offenders accountable, and protect the rights of victims through daily service to their communities and their efforts to share expertise and knowledge with other prosecutors around the country through training and technical assistance.

The 2020 Distinguished Prosecutor Award recipient is Jeanne M. Singer, Chief Assistant State Attorney for the Eighth Judicial Circuit in Florida. In her nomination, it was noted that Ms. Singer has “been instrumental in developing a cadre of young prosecutors who now share her passion for pursuing justice, especially for the voiceless.” Ms. Singer has received numerous past awards including Prosecutor of the Year for the State of Florida, the Martha Varnes Award for her work with victims of sexual abuse and the Distinguished Service Award given by the Florida Council on Crime and Delinquency. Ms. Singer also serves as an adjunct faculty member at the University of Florida School of Law where she teaches trial advocacy and practice.

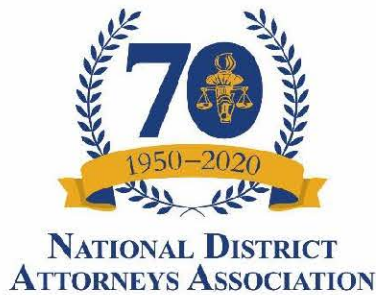
The 2020 Distinguished Faculty Member Award recipient is Courtney E. Curtis, Assistant Executive Director for the Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council (IPAC). Ms. Curtis has shared extensive knowledge and expertise as a seasoned trainer for NDAA in an effort to increase education for prosecutors around the country and support the overall prosecution profession. As one past NDAA training course attendee noted, “She was able to provide detailed ideas about how to address the issues in sexual assault cases, and did so while empowering the audience.” Ms. Curtis has taught extensively on topics such as jury selection, trauma-informed interviewing and challenges with prosecution and policing in rural communities.

For more information on these awards, visit NDAA’s website at www.ndaa.org.

Formed in 1950, NDAA is the oldest and largest national organization representing state and local prosecutors in the country. With more than 5,000 members representing over two thirds of the state and local prosecutors’ offices, NDAA is recognized as the leading source of national expertise on the prosecution function and is a valuable resource for the media, academia, government, and community leaders. NDAA’s mission is to provide state and local prosecutors with the knowledge, skills, and support they need to ensure that justice is done and that public safety rights are protected.

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2020 NDAA Distinguished Prosecutor & Faculty Award Recipients



Pictured: Distinguished Prosecutor Award Recipient, **Jeanne M. Singer**, Chief Assistant State Attorney (Florida 8th Judicial Circuit)



Pictured: Distinguished Faculty Award Recipient, **Courtney E. Curtis**, Assistant Executive Director (Indiana Prosecuting Attorneys Council)