

# *The Mary C. McQueen Award for Excellence and Leadership in Justice System Improvement*

## **ABOUT THE AWARD**

Sponsored by Conference of Chief Justices (CCJ), Conference of State Court Administrators (COSCA), National Association for Court Management (NACM), National Association of Presiding Judges and Court Executive Officers (NAPCO), this award is presented biennially in recognition of an individual who has made extraordinary contributions to improving the administration of justice at the local, state, and/or national level for a sustained period of time.

## **CRITERIA**

The ideal candidate will meet one or more of the following criteria:

- Will have played a major leadership role in a significant reform or improvement initiative within a state or the nation by coordinating action among state and/or national justice system partners.
- Is recognized by their peers as one who is committed to preserving fair and impartial courts, improving public trust and confidence in the justice system, reducing cost and delay, improving access, and securing adequate funding for the judiciary.
- Has consistently displayed vision and passion, has served as a mentor and inspiration to others in the field, and has contributed to court improvement in ways that are noteworthy and enduring.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

- Nominations for the award shall be solicited biennially (every even-numbered year) from the membership of CCJ, COSCA, NACM, and NAPCO by posting on the website of the National Center for State Courts, no later than the first day of March.
- The Selection Committee will consist of the Presidents from CCJ, COSCA, NACM, and NAPCO.
- No member of the nomination review committee shall be eligible to receive the award.

## **NOMINATION LETTER**

Please send a letter of nomination and any supporting materials no later than **May 1, 2018**.

Nominations should be sent to:  
Ms. Janet Reid  
National Center for State Courts  
300 Newport Avenue  
Williamsburg, VA 23185-4147

## **ABOUT MARY MCQUEEN**

Mary McQueen has served as President of the National Center for State Courts since 2004, and previously worked for 25 years as the Washington State Court Administrator and Director of Judicial Services for the Washington State Office of the Administrator for the Courts. "Mary's tireless efforts to improve the administration of justice have made the state courts more effective, efficient and accountable." (Nebraska Chief Justice Michael G. Heavican).

*Nominations Due May 1, 2018*