

# HBA Members Invited to Attend Bench Bar Pro Bono Awards Luncheon

The Houston Bar Association and the Harris County judiciary will present the 2nd Annual Bench Bar Pro Bono Awards at a ceremony and luncheon on Monday, May 10, 2010 in the Ceremonial Courtroom on the 17th Floor of the Civil Courthouse, 201 Caroline, followed by a light luncheon in the Ceremonial Reception Room across the hall. The keynote speaker will be the Hon. Jane Bland of the First Court of Appeals.

The awards program was established to recognize outstanding pro bono service by law firms, corporate legal departments and individuals, and to encourage lawyers to volunteer direct legal services for low-income residents through area legal services providers. A committee made up of seven judges and five lawyers select the recipients, who are self-nominated or may be nominated by someone else. The winners will have their names inscribed on permanent plaques that are located in the lobbies of the civil, criminal, family and juvenile courthouses. Each winner will receive an individual award as well. Please see the 2010

Award Winners at right.

All Harris County attorneys and all members of the Harris County judiciary are invited to attend. There is no charge and a light lunch will be provided. RSVPs are required by 5 p.m. on Wednesday, May 5, 2010 by sending an email to [ashleyg@hba.org](mailto:ashleyg@hba.org) with the number in your party who will attend.

## *2010 Bench Bar Pro Bono Award Recipients*

**Large Firm**  
*Bracewell &  
Giuliani LLP*

**Mid-size Firm**  
*Gibbs Bruns LLP*

**Small Firm**  
*Jackson Gilmour  
& Dobbs, PC*

**Large Corporation**  
*Marathon Oil  
Company*

**Small Corporation**  
*Rosetta Resources,  
Inc.*

**Individual**  
*Judith Ann Ritts*