

# The ACC Advocacy Award

## Award Background & Nomination Instructions

### Award Background

The Association of Corporate Counsel (ACC) Advocacy Award honors an individual or ACC Chapter or Committee that has demonstrated a commitment to advocating on behalf of the in-house counsel profession. The recipient of this award has engaged in effective advocacy activities over the past year or has a proven track record of advocacy activity over many years.

As the only international bar association comprised solely of in-house attorneys, ACC provides a *unique and important perspective* on public policy issues. From its inception, ACC recognized the importance of advocacy – by and for – its membership. Advocacy may occur in court, before legislative bodies and regulatory agencies, as well as in appropriate media and professional journals. ACC's advocacy activities focus on issues that directly affect the practice of law by its members in their capacity as in-house attorneys. Generally, this may include issues affecting the professional role and status of in-house attorneys, attorney-client privilege, and practice and licensing matters. Additionally, it may include substantive legal issues where a unique in-house counsel perspective exists.

### Nomination Instructions

*Nomination materials must be received on or before **January 20, 2017**. Please make sure to complete the nomination form (page 3). It should be the first page of your nomination materials.*

### Guidelines

1. Individual nominees need not be ACC members.
2. Nominations for ACC Chapters or Committees must supply a contact person on the nomination form.
3. Please supply responses to the following questions and attach them to the nomination form on page 3.
4. Please be aware that nomination materials will not be returned.

### Individual Questions

1. Describe how the nominee has advocated on behalf of the in-house counsel profession. The advocacy activities can take the form of involvement in court cases (or requesting ACC involvement in court cases); involvement in legislative or regulatory efforts (or requesting ACC involvement in legislative or regulatory efforts); or activities that are educational in nature on an important advocacy topic.
2. Describe the importance of the advocacy topic to the in-house community. How does the advocacy effort represent the unique perspective of in-house counsel?

3. Describe the results achieved. How has the advocacy effort impacted the in-house counsel profession?

**Chapter or Committee Questions**

1. Describe how the chapter or committee has been involved in ACC advocacy efforts or has worked with ACC Advocacy staff to engage with federal, state or local policy makers or hold advocacy-related events. The advocacy activities can take the form of involvement in court cases (or requesting ACC involvement in court cases); involvement in legislative or regulatory efforts (or requesting ACC involvement in legislative or regulatory efforts); or activities that are educational in nature on an important advocacy topic.
2. Describe the importance of the advocacy topic to the in-house community. How does the advocacy effort represent the unique perspective of in-house counsel?
3. Describe the results achieved. How has the advocacy effort impacted the in-house counsel profession?

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## Association of Corporate Counsel 2017 ACC Advocacy Award

### Nomination Form

#### Nomination Deadline

The Association of Corporate Counsel is accepting nominations for the 2017 ACC Advocacy Award. Nomination materials must be received by ACC on or before **January 20, 2017**. Please complete all information below and submit together with the answers to the questions in the Instructions.

#### Questions

If you have any questions regarding the nomination process, please contact Stephanie Johnson at 202.293.4103, ext. 341 or [s.johnson@acc.com](mailto:s.johnson@acc.com).

<b>Nominator Information</b> (if applicable)
Name of Nominator:
Title/position:
Firm/organization:
Address:
Telephone:
Email:

<b>Nominee Information</b>
Name of Nominee:
<b>If nominating an individual, please complete the following fields:</b>
Title/position:
Organization:
Address:
Telephone and email:
ACC Member? (Yes/No)