
Minority Corporate Counsel Association Honors WilmerHale's Diversity Initiatives

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On June 16, 2009, the Minority Corporate Counsel Association (MCCA) honored WilmerHale for its diversity initiatives with the Thomas L. Sager Award at the Mid-Atlantic Region Diversity Dinner in Washington, DC. This award is given to law firms that demonstrate a sustained commitment to improving the hiring, retention and promotion of minority attorneys. WilmerHale Partner Ronald C. Machen accepted the award on behalf of the firm.

The dinner was part of an annual series of five dinners designed to address issues of diversity in corporate law departments. MCCA Diversity Dinners are also held in Chicago, Dallas, New York City and San Francisco.

In addition to the awards dinner, MCCA also held a panel discussion—Diversity Dialogue—of diversity best practices featuring the evening's award winners. The Diversity Dialogue is part of a professional development series that gives attendees information about award-winning diversity initiatives in their local areas, as well as practical information they can take back to their companies or law firms.

Founded in 1997, MCCA advocates for the expanded hiring, promotion, and

retention of minority attorneys in corporate legal departments and the law firms that serve them. MCCA furthers its mission by publishing research on achieving diversity and best practices in the legal profession, honoring innovative diversity programs with its Employer of Choice and Thomas L. Sager awards, and assisting diverse law students through the Lloyd M. Johnson, Jr. Scholarship Program. MCCA's work has been recognized with awards from the National Minority Business Council, Inc., the US Equal Employment Opportunity Commission, the National Gay and Lesbian Law Association, and the Association of Corporate Counsel.

For more information about the Thomas L. Sager Award or MCCA, visit mcca.com.