The 2015 LALY Awards

At a ceremony on 1st July 2015, in a packed room, over 400 people celebrated the work of grassroots lawyers. Read about the Legal Aid Lawyer of the Year awards 2015 here:

LALY Winners 2015 Press Release

See 'A Year in the Life of Legal Aid Lawyers' on Storify: <u>A Year in the Life</u> (Thanks fo Mary-Rachel McCabe for this)

Congratulations to all this year's finalists who are as follows:

1. Children's rights (sponsored by Accesspoint)

Noel Arnold (Coram Children's Legal Centre) Charlotte Image (Wainwright & Cummins) Rachel Knowles (Just for Kids Law) Zubier Yazdani (Deighton Pierce Glynn)

2. Criminal defence (sponsored by CILEx)

Mark Ashford (TV Edwards) Jenny Durham (Swain & Co) Umar Zeb (JD Spicer Zeb)

3. Family legal aid (Sponsored by Resolution)

Sarah Cove (Miles & Partners) Sarah Miller (Tozers) Rebecca Stevens (Withy King)

4. Family mediation (sponsored by Resolution)

Denise Ingamells (TV Edwards)
Margaret Pendlebury (MiD Mediation)
Tracy Winstanley (Heaney Watson)

5. Housing (sponsored by Irwin Mitchell)

Jayesh Kunwardia (Hodge Jones & Allen)
Parminder Sanghera (Community Law Partnership)
Sara Stephens (Anthony Gold)

6. Public law (Sponsored by DG Legal)

Roopa Tanna (Islington Law Centre)
Stefan Vnuk (Lawrence Lupin)
Marcia Willis Stewart (Birnberg Peirce)
Louise Whitfield (Deighton Pierce Glynn)

7. Social and Welfare (sponsored by Tikit)

Lisa Haythorne (Derbyshire Law Centre) Jo Renshaw (Turpin & Miller)

Michael Spencer (Child Poverty Action Group)

8. Legal aid newcomer (sponsored by Anglia DNA)

Emma Cordock (AFG Law)
Connor Johnston (Garden Court Chambers)
Aisling Ni-Chuinn (Wilsons)

9. Legal aid barrister (sponsored by the Bar Council)

Ian Brownhill (No 5 Chambers) Ranjiv Khubber (1 Pump Court) Alison Pickup (Doughty Street)

10. Legal aid firm/not-for-profit agency (sponsored by The Law Society)

A & N Care, Sheffield Central England Law Centre, Coventry and Birmingham Deighton Pierce Glynn, London Edwards Duthie, London and Essex

11. Access to Justice through IT (sponsored by Legal Education Foundation)

Courtnav (Royal Courts of Justice Advice Bureau & Freshfields Bruckhaus Deringer) www.courtnav.org.uk

Fisher Jones Greenwood
Rightsnet (LASA) <u>www.rightsnet.org.uk</u>
Road Traffic Representation <u>roadtrafficrepresentation.com</u>

12. Outstanding achievement (sponsored by Matrix Legal Aid Link)

The judges will also be making an award for Outstanding achievement