

2020 WLAQ 42nd ANNUAL AWARDS

Each year, WLAQ recognises the achievements of women in Queensland's legal profession through the conferral of its Annual Awards.

This year can be described as unique, challenging, stressful, disruptive and perhaps even rewarding, with many lessons learned about the way in which we practice and interact with our peers.

For WLAQ's 42nd Annual Awards and in recognition of the year that has been 2020, WLAQ decided to not call for nominations for its Annual Awards or host an in-person dinner. Rather, we decided to host an online event to announce who WLAQ considers to be the 2020 Leneen Forde AC Woman Lawyer of the Year, the Regional Woman Lawyer of the Year and the Emergent Woman Lawyer of the Year.

President Catherine Cheek is proud to announce *YOU* as the Award recipient for 2020, in recognition of your contributions, and for your commitment, to the legal profession.

To celebrate this occasion, we collated a number of short videos from members of WLAQ which you can view [online](#), with Cate Hayworth-Smith QC returning as our (virtual) Master of Ceremony.

Thank you to Immediate Past President Jamie Shine and to corporate member Shine Lawyers for their work in producing this video. WLAQ is also grateful to the sponsors for this year's Awards: Griffith Law School and The College of Law Queensland. WLAQ would also like to acknowledge the Bar Association of Queensland and their videographer for assistance in filming and to all of the women who provided a video.

We hope to be able to celebrate the 42nd Annual Awards with you in person, once it is safe to do so and, in the meantime, raise a glass and toast your achievements, your passion and the fortitude you displayed in 2020.

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