



South Carolina Bar

Law Related Education Division

2026 LRE Teacher of the Year (\$500)

The SC Bar Law Related Education (LRE) Division is accepting applications and nominations for the LRE Teacher of the Year Award to two teachers (elementary/middle and high). The two LRE Teacher of the Year awards are presented to a teacher in South Carolina who has:

- Fostered public understanding of the values of our legal and judicial system,
- Stimulated a deeper sense of individual responsibility by helping students recognize their legal duties and rights,
- Encouraged and supported effective LRE programs; and
- Increased communication among students, fellow educators, and those working in the legal system.

The SC Bar appreciates the contributions of teachers to law related education. The two teachers chosen to receive the LRE Teacher of the Year Award receive a plaque and a cash award of \$500 in non-designated funds. The award recognizes two teachers (elementary/middle and high) each year who have implemented quality law related education programs, including participation in LRE Division sponsored activities. Law Related Education programs include *Foundations of Democracy*, Mock Trial (in the classroom and competitively), *Street Law*, *We the People: Project Citizen*, *We the People: The Citizen and the Constitution*, and other citizenship programs offered through the LRE Division. Special emphasis is not only placed on schools with affiliation to LRE Division sponsored activities, but those that have incorporated outside resource persons.

Nomination / Application Procedure:

1. Complete the nomination/application cover sheet.
2. Include a narrative of the applicant/nominated teacher to reflect the format requirement below.
3. Include a resume of the applicant/nominated teacher.
4. Submit up to ten letters of support from such sources as administrators, fellow educators, students, and attorney coaches. Letters written within the last 24 months are considered.
5. Scan the entire application packet (cover sheet, narrative, resume of the applicant, and up to ten letters of support), as one PDF document and include your name when naming the PDF document; e.g. *Landrum Logan TOY App 2026*.
6. Email the PDF to Donald N. Lanier at dlanier@scbar.org by 12 noon on March 20, 2026. **(Only emailed submissions will be considered.)**
7. Previous winners are not considered for three (3) consecutive years.
8. The LRE Division will notify recipients by May 2026.

Format Requirement:

Include a typed (12 point font) narrative not to exceed three pages, typed and double-spaced. No more than five additional pages of pictures may be added to the document. If the format requirement is not met, the nomination/application will not be considered.

EMAIL SUBMISSION DUE BY 12 NOON ON MARCH 20, 2026



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Teacher Level: Middle School High School

Name					
School Name					
Address					
City		State		Zip	
Phone Number	()				
E-Mail Address					
Subject(s) Taught					
Grade Level(s) Taught					
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Contact Name					
Address					
City		State		Zip	
Contact Phone Number (daytime)	()				
Contact Phone Number (evening)	()				
Contact E-Mail Address					
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Name of Local Newspaper					
Date of School Awards Day/Event					

Scanning Checklist:

- Application Cover Sheet
- Narrative (12 point font, double spaced, no more than 3 pages, and no more than 5 pages of pictures)
- Resume of Applicant
- Letters of Support (up to 10)

Email Scanned PDF Document:

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ALL APPLICATIONS MUST BE EMAILED NO LATER THAN 12 NOON ON MARCH 20, 2026.