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Submitted Information:

Lincoln Award of Excellence Attorney Nominee's Name

Paul Lawrence

Nominee's phone #

309-824-8551

Nominee's Law Firm, Company/Organization and Address

Retired Judge

Statement in Support of Nomination

Having known Paul for more than 30 years, he has certainly exhibited to me many of the admirable characteristics that we honor Lincoln for such as integrity, honesty, diligence, humility and empathy..

Individual achievements in the practice of law

Paul did so well in his private practice that he was selected by the Circuit Judges to serve as an Associate Judge. The voters fo the 11th Circuit later elected him to a full Circuit position.

Employment History - written or upload resume

Paul has been in private practice, including serving as a contract Public Defender, before being appointed as an Associate Judge. He was later elected as a Circuit Judge.

Service to the MCBA-the Community-pro bono service

During Paul's year as the President of the MCBA, he tried new ideas such as a Softball tournament with other county bar associations and a social activity with the Boys and Girl Club. He has also been very active with his Kiwanis service club, both as a past President and Lt. Governor. Somehow he was able to balance being a very active parent in his five children's lives while providing great service to the MCBA, community, his Church and some pro bono work.