Letter in support of Nicole Mannen for 2023 Young Lawyer of the Year Award

Nicole Mannen has been with the office almost 2 years. She came in as a 711, having just finished law school. She jumped right in, taking on cases, speaking with clients and working in court, all while studying to take the bar. After being sworn in, she immediately stepped into her own docket and courtroom and has been stellar. From docket management, assisting in the office where needed, client communication, and trial work, she has not met any new challenge without achieving results well above what should be expected. She has won several jury trials, has contributed to many courtrooms as the Public Defender's Office is short staffed, and moved up quickly. In just under 2 years, she has gone from 711 to a criminal felony attorney. She has been an asset to the office and the courthouse and is deserving of the Young Lawyer Award for her work ethic and lawyering skills that are well beyond those of a brand-new attorney.

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