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DBR Announces 2020 Professional Excellence Award Honorees

Postponed by the coronavirus, the Daily Business Review announces its annual Professional Excellence Award honorees and plans a recognition event on Oct. 7.

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Daily Business Review's Professional Excellence Awards 2019 held at the Rusty Pelican. Photo: J. Albert Diaz/ALM

Three veteran Florida litigators are finalists for the Daily Business Review's annual Attorney of the Year award for their work in vastly different areas.

Miami-Dade Public Defender Carlos Martinez coordinated a review of thousands of court files for clients convicted in Biscayne Park cases. The forensic mission was undertaken after the police chief and several subordinates were convicted of framing people to close unsolved cases for four years.

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Sigrid McCawley of Boies Schiller Flexner took on the task of representing women who were abused by Jeffrey Epstein as children but were dismissed for years simply as unbelievable.

The top award winner will be announced at the **DBR's annual Professional Excellence Awards event** (<https://www.event.law.com/dailybusinessreview-FloridaLegalAwards>) set for Oct. 7 at the Rusty Pelican in Miami. More than 70 honorees will be recognized for their work in litigation and transactions and as in-house counsel. New categories recognize attorneys for mentoring and social impact.

The events team is working hard to ensure the safety of our guests, and more information about the measures we are implementing will be communicated shortly.

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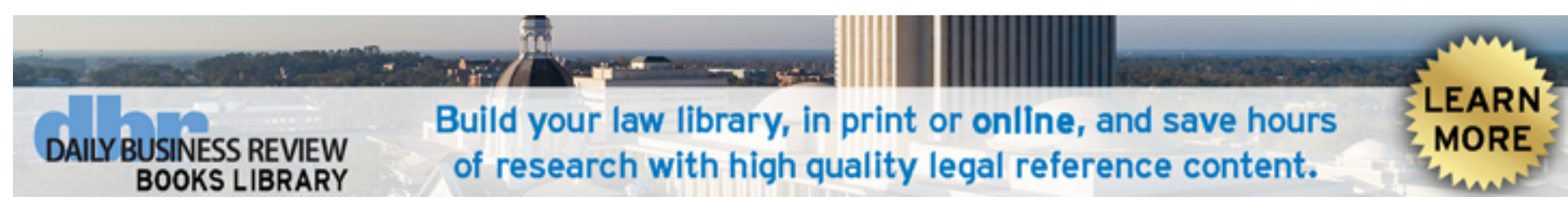
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