

CPR Announces 2021 Award Winners at Annual Meeting for Contributions to ADR

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New York, NY—The International Institute for Conflict Prevention and Resolution (CPR) announced the recipients of its 2021 Awards for contributions to ADR at a virtual ceremony on Wednesday, January 27, 2021, as part of CPR's Annual Meeting.

- **Outstanding Contribution to Diversity in ADR:** Gail Wright, Esq.
- **Outstanding Book in the Field of ADR:** *America's Peacemakers: The Community Relations Service and Civil Rights* (The University of Missouri Press 2020).
- **Outstanding Professional Article:** *Sharing Dispute Resolution Practices with Leaders of a Divided Community or Campus: Strategies for Two Crucial Conversations*, Ohio State Journal on Dispute Resolution [Vol. 35:5 2020].
- **Joseph T. McLaughlin Original Student Article Award:** Ana Ubilava, University of Sydney Law School (Australia).
- **CPR Partner of the Year:** John J. Buckley, Jr.

Outstanding Contribution to Diversity in ADR:

A leader, advocate and mentor, Gail Wright helped to establish CPR's Employment Pathways program to further the inclusion of diverse neutrals on the CPR Panel of Distinguished Neutrals. She served as Chair of the New York State Bar Association's Civil Rights Committee, Executive Committee, Labor and Employment Section as well as associate counsel for the NAACP Legal Defense and Education Fund. She is also the Diversity Co-Chair of the International Academy of Mediators, an international membership organization comprised of commercial mediators.

Outstanding Book in the Field of ADR:

America's Peacemakers: The Community Relations Service and Civil Rights (The University of Missouri Press 2020), authored by the late Bertram Levine and Grande Lum, chronicles the history of the Community Relations Services office of the Justice Department. In this work, Lum expands upon the prior work of Levine to present a timely ADR perspective of the history of Civil Rights in the U.S. with a focus on events since 9/11.

Outstanding Professional Article:

Sharing Dispute Resolution Practices with Leaders of a Divided Community or Campus: Strategies for Two Crucial Conversations, Ohio State Journal on Dispute Resolution [Vol. 35:5 2020] was authored by William Froehlich, Nancy H. Rogers and Joseph B. Stulberg.

The Joseph T. McLaughlin Original Student Article Award:

Awarded to Ana Ubilava, a PhD student at the University of Sydney Law School (Australia) for her article, “Amicable Settlements in Investor-State Disputes: Empirical Analysis of Patterns and Perceived Problems”, The Journal of World Investment & Trade 21, 4 (2020): 528-557.

CPR Partner of the Year Award:

John J. Buckley, Jr. is being recognized for his outstanding support for CPR’s mission through his service as Chair on the Fast Track Rules Committee, Model Concurrent Mediation Clause and Model Delegation Clause Task Forces, service on the Construction Rules Committee and otherwise for the support John and his law firm, Williams & Connolly, LLP, have provided to CPR.

“The winners of all these awards exemplify the outstanding leadership of our constituency in trying to promote less conflict and more purpose. Their tireless efforts in support of diversity in ADR, in furthering the scholarship in the field and developing innovations for dispute resolution merit these recognitions. Each awardee is an inspiration for all of us, and I want to congratulate and thank each of them on behalf of our community,” said Allen Waxman, CPR’s CEO & President.

About CPR:

Established in 1977, CPR is an independent nonprofit organization that helps manage and resolve legal conflict to prevent greater disputes and enable purpose.

The CPR Institute drives a global prevention and dispute resolution culture through the thought leadership of its diverse membership of top companies, law firms, academics, and leading mediators and arbitrators around the world. The Institute convenes best practice and industry-oriented committees and hosts global and regional meetings to share practices and develop innovative tools and resources. The Institute publishes an award-winning monthly journal on related topics, and advocates for supporting and expanding the capacity for dispute prevention and resolution globally.

CPR Dispute Resolution harnesses the innovation and experience of the Institute to provide ADR services – mediation, arbitration, early neutral evaluation, dispute resolution boards and others – through innovative and practical rules and procedures and through CPR’s Panel of Distinguished Neutrals. DRS also trains on dispute prevention and resolution.

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