

## 2011 Employee Recognition Ceremony Winners

### 2011 Winners Revealed at Employee Recognition Ceremony December 2, 2011

For more information see "News & Events" at the program webpage where the winners provide services.

#### Chief Judge's Award

*Recipients of this award are selected by the Chief Judge based on the contribution of the individual or organization to the Thirteenth Judicial Circuit.*

Presented to: **Brenda Johnson**

Office of State Court Administrator

Director of Community and Intergovernmental Relations

*Photo not available.*

#### Teamwork Award

*The recipients of this award are a team that combines a diversity of ability to think and act as one to achieve real productivity and a higher purpose beyond the capability of any one person.*

Presented to: **Juvenile Diversionary Program Team**



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Maggie Pines, Regina Downum, Pam Stokes, Tammy DeCroix, Wagner Pena, Kristin Stoycheff-Schillig, Tonya Gallimore & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez. Not pictured: Alice Flowers, Troy Lovell, Monica Martinez, Olga Rocha, Irene Rodriguez & Christine Stern.*

#### Innovative Award

*The recipient of this award cannot only envision a new approach to a complicated problem but can implement the solution, often using socio-technical resolutions to affect change.*

Presented to: **Tracy Wells**

Senior Administrative Assistant

Central Office



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Tracy Wells & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*

### **Synergy Award**

*The recipient of this award works with another organization, yet has combined efforts with the Administrative Office of the Courts to create synergy and efficiency of operations, offering seamless integration of service and displaying a positive commitment to the judiciary and staff.*

Presented to: **Simone Fallon**

Multimedia Specialist

Fallon Creative, LLC subcontractor of Morph Productions, Inc.



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Simone Fallon & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*

### **Risk Taker**

*The recipient of this award exhibits the courage of conviction, recognizing that anything worthwhile was never achieved without personal and professional risk and great perseverance.*

Presented to: **Nancy Yanez**

Chief Deputy Court Administrator  
Central Office

*Photo not available.*

### **Helping Hand/Partners in the Workplace**

*The recipient of the award can always be counted on to give his or her best in the interest of professionalism and getting the job done right, works well with everyone, offers diverse talents and cannot turn down the opportunity to be of assistance no matter how many commitments are needed.*

Presented to:

**Yvonne Romero**

Personnel Technician  
Court Personnel Resources



*Yvonne Romero & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*

### **Tessie Rosete/Judicial Assistant of the Year Award**

*Nominations for this award are submitted by the judiciary only and final selection is made by the Chief Judge and Court Administrator.*

Presented to: **JoAnn Rucavado**

Judicial Assistant to Judge Susan Sexton



*Chief Judge Manuel Menendez, Carlos Rucavado, JoAnn Rucavado & Judge Susan Sexton*

### **Quality of Excellence**

The recipient of this award strives to make everything better, provides legendary services, believes good enough is never enough and improvement is a way of life.

Presented to: **Janice Albury**

Program Coordinator

Court Operations



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Janice Albury & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*

### **Most Valuable Player**

*The recipient of this award is always involved in making things happen, can never stay on the sidelines and must make a difference by choice.*

Presented to: **Connie Santiago**

Administrative Assistant III, Court Facilities



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Connie Santiago & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*

### **Leadership Award**

*The recipient of this award is selected by the Court Administrator based upon his or her capacity to guide others toward the vision and values of the Administrative Office of the Courts.*

Presented to: **Trish Waterman**

Children's Justice Center Manager, Court Programs



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Trish Waterman & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*

**Employee of the Year**

*The recipient of this award consistently exceeds expectations in all work efforts and exemplifies the quality of our visions and values statement.*

Presented to: **Roberto Flores**

Information Systems Analyst

Court Communication & Technology Services



*Court Administrator Mike Bridenback, Roberto Flores & Chief Judge Manuel Menendez*