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W|N Sponsors National Legal Aid & Defender Association Award Dinner Recognizing Microsoft's Brad Smith

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W|N served as one of the major sponsors for the annual National Legal Aid & Defender Association Award Dinner recognizing Microsoft's Brad Smith. The National Legal Aid & Defender Association (NLADA) is the nation's oldest and largest nonprofit association of legal professionals and organizations dedicated to providing legal services to low-income people in America.

This year NLADA will mark its 100th year of leading in the effort to secure equal access to justice for all Americans. Fourteen legal aid societies came together in Pennsylvania in 1911 to start a national movement and reconvened a year later to form NLADA in 1912. Since that time, NLADA has been included in nearly every landmark case and legislative and policy initiative that has shaped the American justice system in the 20th and 21st centuries.

As noted by NLADA, Mr. Smith, who leads Microsoft's Department of Legal and Corporate Affairs, "has helped advance significant diversity and pro bono initiatives within Microsoft and in the broader legal profession. He has played a central role in ensuring the involvement of the corporate legal community in furthering access to justice." "Workman Nydegger is honored to be included among those recognizing the tireless efforts of Brad Smith in such an important aspect of our profession," stated Brent Lorimer, Workman Nydegger's managing director.

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