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**Helen Mac Murray Recognized with OWBA-OWBF 2019 Leading the Way Award**

**[Columbus, Ohio] — September 20, 2019** – The Ohio Women’s Bar Association and Ohio Women’s Bar Foundation have recognized Mac Murray & Shuster Partner Helen Mac Murray with the 2019 Leading the Way Award.

This prestigious recognition combines two historical awards for both organizations: the OWBA Founder’s Award and the OWBF Leading the Way Award. Recipients of both awards have been recognized for their commitment, service, and leadership that has paved the way for other women in the law to follow.

Helen has been a leader in the consumer protection arena for almost 25 years. She previously served as Chief of the Ohio Attorney General’s Consumer Protection Section, named in 2000 as “National Consumer Protection Agency of the Year” under her direction. Today, she consults with and represents numerous entities regulated by federal and state consumer protection laws, using her experience and insights to focus on the defense of state, federal, and multistate consumer protection investigations.

Helen has long been a powerful advocate for women in law, having served as President of the Ohio Women’s Bar Association, Board Trustee of Women Lawyers of Franklin County, and as a member of the ABA and OSBA Women in the Profession Boards. Equally committed to the Ohio community, she has worked for over two decades with CHOICES, a domestic violence shelter, as President, pro bono provider, and fundraiser. She has also served as President of Bexley City Council, and on the boards of numerous Ohio organizations, including the Better Business Bureau of Central Ohio, Ohio Consumer’s Counsel Governing Board, and The University of Toledo School of Law’s Advisory Board.

Speaking at the celebration in her honor, Helen challenged the audience, particularly those in big law firms, to do things differently. “The traditional way of practicing law is being challenged. Do it your way. It really is possible to be happy and fulfilled in this profession, to have families, and to take care of yourself.”

No one can speak to Helen’s commitment to supporting women in law more than partner Michele Shuster, with whom she founded the firm more than a decade ago. “Helen is so deserving of this award. She has led the way for me and hundreds of other women in the profession. She is truly an inspiration, and I have been lucky and blessed to have her as both a friend and colleague.”

Helen has been recognized for her achievements by numerous peer and industry organizations, including Martindale-Hubbell, Best Lawyers® and Super Lawyers®. In addition to her practice, she is a frequent national speaker on consumer regulatory issues and has appeared, or been featured in, stories appearing on media outlets including ABC News, PrimeTime Live, NBC Nightly News, Dateline NBC, The Wall Street Journal, The New York Times, American Greed and many others.

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