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## **ASSOCIATE JUDGE ELIZABETH ROCHFORD AND RETIRED ASSOCIATE JUDGE JOHN SCULLY ARE HONORED BY LAKE COUNTY BAR ASSOCIATION**

On Tuesday, March 19, the Lake County Bar Association hosted the Access to Justice Awards Ceremony. During the event, Associate Judge Elizabeth M. Rochford was honored with the Access to Justice Award and retired Associate Judge John J. Scully received the Justice Robert H. Jackson Award.

“Through Judge Rochford’s commitment and ability to share her vision with others, Lake County has the most comprehensive approach in the State to ensure self-represented litigants (SRLs) have access to justice in a meaningful and respectful manner. We could not have developed the SRL courtroom without Liz’s insight, hard work and experience. Judge Rochford is leading the access to justice initiative here in Lake County,” said Deputy Chief Judge Diane E. Winter.

The Access to Justice Award is presented to a Lake County Bar Association member who has provided or supported legal services to low-income clients, and who has made a particularly significant or meaningful contribution to the provision of low-income legal services.

“Judge John J. Scully’s entire life, from his long Navy career to his extensive work as a criminal prosecutor, a teacher and a judge shows his dedication to honorable service to his community and his country. By selecting him for the 2018 Justice Robert H. Jackson Award, the Lake County Bar Association has given him the recognition that he never sought or wanted, but which he so very much deserves,” said Associate Judge Michael J. Fusz.

The Justice Robert H. Jackson Award is presented to a prosecutor who has distinguished himself or herself in public service and whose commitment to justice and serving the communities where he or she lives, or works is particularly praiseworthy.

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