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Hall Estill Media and First Amendment Law Attorney Robert Nelon to Receive Lifetime Achievement Award from the Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame. April 25, 2024

Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame

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Hall Estill Media and First Amendment Law Attorney Robert Nelon is among those to be honored at the 54th annual luncheon and induction ceremony of the Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame. Bob has represented numerous media organizations and journalists on First Amendment and freedom of information issues. He will receive a Lifetime Achievement Award from the Hall of Fame.

Bob, a native of Shawnee, is an Oklahoma City lawyer who has devoted much of his career to representing media organizations and their employees on First Amendment and freedom of information issues. After graduating from Northwestern University and the University of Oklahoma College of Law, and serving as a Marine Corps JAG officer, he worked for Andrews Davis (1975-95) and Hall Estill (1995-). He has represented KFOR, KOCO, KWTV, KOKH, KJRH, KTUL, ABC, CBS, NBCUniversal, AETN, Discovery, and CNN; USA Today, The Oklahoman, Tulsa World and other Oklahoma newspapers; magazine and book publishers; and organizations such as RCFP and IRE. He was counsel in many media cases that shaped Oklahoma law. He is a past-president of the Defense Counsel Section of New York-based Media Law Resource Center and an alumni of Leadership Oklahoma and Leadership Oklahoma City.

The honorees were chosen from among more than 90 nominations submitted to the hall of fame. They were first selected by a 15-member Finalist Committee and then a 12-member Selection Committee via a balloting process. All on the committees were hall of fame members and representatives of diverse types of media and journalism organizations.

The Oklahoma Journalism Hall of Fame was founded in 1971 by former UCO Journalism Chairman Dr. Ray Tassin and Dennie Hall, with both serving as directors. Hight is the fourth director and succeeded Dr. Terry Clark. All members are featured on the hall of fame website (okjournalismhalloffame.com). Past honoree plaques are on display at the hall of fame on the third floor of UCO's Nigh University Center.

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