# 2023 KACDL Awards Luncheon

The Metropolitan Club, Covington, KY | 11:30 am

## **Distinguished Service Award**

Melanie Foote, DPA Education & Strategic Planning Branch Manager, Frankfort, KY

Presented to a member of KACDL whose service to the organization and contributions to its mission have resulted in significant improvement of the criminal justice system.

# W. Robert Lotz Public Policy Award

**Rep. Jason Petrie (R) (District 16), Elkton, KY**Presented to a member of the legislative or executive branches of government who has established and/or implemented public policy that protects individual liberties, ensures a fair process, and guarantees reliable results in criminal cases.

#### Media Award

Joseph Gerth, Metro Columnist, The Courier Journal, Louisville, KY

Presented to a reporter or editor who has informed Kentucky citizens about the critical constitutional roles of criminal defense lawyers, public defenders or criminal defense organizations in ensuring the individual liberties guaranteed by our Bill of Rights.

## **Clarence Darrow Prodigy Award**

Jeb Dennis, DPA Bowling Green, KY (North Trial Office)

Presented to a member of KACDL who has been practicing law in Kentucky for less than 5 years and has demonstrated precocious legal knowledge and trial skills as a criminal defense advocate, as well as an uncompromising commitment to aggressively defending clients in the spirit and best tradition of Mr. Darrow.

## Frank E Haddad, Jr. Award

R. Tucker Richardson & Russ Baldani, Lexington, KY

Presented to a criminal defense lawyer in recognition of exceptional professional achievement which has had a profound effect and sustained impact on the protection of the constitutional rights of citizens accused or convicted of a criminal offense.

