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# Cassie Lewandowski, Laura Gust and Sherri Thompson Recognized By BAMSL

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Sandberg Phoenix Counsel Cassie Lewandowski, Associate Laura Gust and LAA Sherri Thompson were recognized by the Bar Association of Metropolitan St. Louis (BAMSL) Law Day event today in St. Louis.

Cassie was presented with the Richard B. Teitelman Award in recognition for her work as Chair of BAMSL's Pro Bono Committee and for her efforts in the creation and establishment of BAMSL's Pro Bono Challenge. The award is named after The Honorable Richard B. Teitelman, a Missouri Supreme Court judge, who served on the court from 2002 until his death in November 2016. He also served as Chief Justice on the court from 2011 through 2013. "I've always believed that providing pro bono services is a calling for the legal profession," Cassie said. "And I'm very honored by the recognition from BAMSL. I hope this will put the spotlight on pro bono work and encourage others to get involved."

Associate Laura Gust was named Secretary of BAMSL's Young Lawyers Division Executive Committee during the event. "BAMSL is an outstanding, dynamic organization and the Young Lawyers Division has a tradition of not only developing young attorneys, but of bring innovative, fresh new ideas to the organization," Laura said. "Serving on the Executive Committee of the Young Lawyers Division is a true honor, and I look forward to being able to make a lasting and significant contribution to BAMSL and the legal community."

Sandberg Phoenix LAA Sherri Thompson was formally installed as Chair of the Women in the Legal Profession Section for BAMSL. Upon her formal installation, Sherri became the first non-attorney to serve as Chair of a Section for BAMSL. "I've been a member of BAMSL since 1995, but looking back, I have to say I didn't take full advantage of my membership until I joined Sandberg Phoenix & von Gontard in 2014," Sherri said. "With the firm's encouragement, I've become a member of BAMSL's Legal Support Committee, LGBTQ Committee, Women in the Legal Profession CLE Committee and the Women in the Legal Profession (WILP) Section. It's an honor to now have the opportunity to lead the WILP Section."