

Nomination for the Mario DiNatale Professionalism and Civility Award

Nominee: Paul A. Slager

It is with great respect and enthusiasm that we nominate Attorney Paul Slager for the **Mario DiNatale Professionalism and Civility Award**. Over the course of his distinguished career, Attorney Slager has consistently exemplified the highest ideals of the legal profession through his unwavering integrity, exceptional competence, and deep commitment to civility and professionalism.

Founded in 2024, Slager Madry LLC was built from the ground up by Attorney Slager along with Attorneys Joaquin Madry and Nicole Coates, with a unique focus on combining excellence in law with real humanity. With decades of success securing substantial verdicts and settlements on behalf of clients, he chose to build a firm that prioritizes meaningful attorney-client relationships, thoughtful advocacy, and a deliberate focus on life-altering cases.

Attorney Slager is widely recognized by both peers and the broader legal community for his skill and leadership. An eight-time recipient of the Best Lawyers® “Lawyer of the Year” distinction in Stamford, including most recently for Mass Tort Litigation / Class Actions and Product Liability Litigation, he has earned a reputation as a formidable advocate in complex, high-stakes litigation. His work is frequently entrusted by fellow attorneys and referred by judges, underscoring the deep professional respect he has cultivated throughout his career.

Yet, what truly distinguishes Attorney Slager is not only his legal acumen, but the manner in which he practices law. He approaches each case with rigor and meticulous preparation, while maintaining an unwavering commitment to civility, ethical conduct, and professionalism. Attorney Slager’s philosophy is that every case should be prepared as though it is going to trial, and he maintains a respectful, lawyer-driven approach to his practice that earns the respect of his clients, colleagues, and opposing counsel.

At Slager Madry, Attorney Slager has intentionally rejected high-volume, impersonal legal cases in favor of a more thoughtful approach. Every client at Slager Madry receives direct access to fully qualified, knowledgeable and experienced counsel, and their cases are handled with both care and meticulous attention to every detail. The result is not only a robust and successful legal outcome, but also an environment that enables clients to heal and rebuild in the midst of adversity. The team Attorney Slager has handpicked at the Slager Madry headquarters in Stamford, all share in his foundational principle that the client comes first. Each and every attorney and legal professional on the team intends to serve as symbols of hope and empowerment; right in stride with their leader.

In addition to his work as a personal injury lawyer, Attorney Slager is deeply involved in the legal profession and strives to uphold the highest standards of ethics, professionalism and respect. He served as President of the Connecticut Trial Lawyers Association and has had the opportunity to mentor many other lawyers, a position that he takes very seriously.

Attorney Slager is more than just successful at his practice, he has purpose. He represents individuals and families who have been harmed by the negligent and wrongful conduct of others and seeks to hold these actors accountable. At the same time, he strives to promote safer practices and prevent future harm. In doing so, he not only advances the interests of his clients, but also the greater good of society.

Attorney Slager holds every client and their families with the utmost respect, care, and determination. He fights from every angle to get the cases that are most catastrophic, the justice they deserve.

On a more personal note, Attorney Slager was previously partners with Mario DiNatale, who he considered not just a colleague, but also a friend. Attorney Slager carries the principles that Mario DiNatale valued with him every day and embodies civility and professionalism in every aspect of his work. It is our honor to nominate Attorney Slager for an award named for someone he had the utmost respect for.

For his outstanding integrity, character, legal expertise and commitment to civility and professionalism, Paul Slager is an exceptional candidate for the Mario DiNatale Professionalism and Civility Award.