



District Judge Josefina Rendon, a 1976 Law Center Alumna, was the recipient of this year's Justice Frank Evans Award at the State Bar of Texas convention. The Evans Award was created and dedicated as a living tribute to Justice Frank G. Evans who is considered the founder of the alternative dispute resolution movement in Texas. The award is given annually to persons who have performed exceptional and outstanding efforts in promoting or furthering the use or research of alternative dispute resolution methods in Texas. The recipients are persons who are recognized leaders in the field of Dispute Resolution.

Earlier this year Judge Rendon was also honored by the Texas Association of Mediators with the Susanne Adams Award for her work for mediation in Texas. Similar to the Evans Award, the Adams Award is dedicated as a living tribute to Susanne C. Adams, a visionary, leader and pioneer in mediation. It is given annually to those who set an example for the rest of the mediation community in Texas to follow.

Judge Rendon, a former president of the Texas Association of Mediators and former board member of the Texas Center for the Judiciary, was a mediator for 15 years as well as a judge of the City of Houston Municipal Courts before becoming the Judge of the 165<sup>th</sup> District Court in 2008 in Harris County.