

Stinson Staff Honored as Unsung Legal Heroes in Missouri and Minnesota

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Stinson LLP is proud to announce 2020 Unsung Legal Heroes award recipients for Missouri and Minnesota. Curt Beebe and Michelle O'Leary have been recognized by *Missouri Lawyers Weekly*, and Anthony Simone by *Minnesota Lawyer*. Both publications honor 25 legal support professionals annually for their talents and dedication to the legal profession.

Beebe, director of network operations, is based in Kansas City. He is recognized for building out the firm's network infrastructure, enabling attorneys and staff to seamlessly transition from office to remote work during the COVID-19 pandemic. In addition, he kept the firm connected to each other and to clients through the successful deployment of Zoom.

O'Leary, legal administrative assistant team supervisor, is based in Kansas City. She is being recognized for supervising a team of legal administrative assistants and was instrumental in assembling the team. This highly efficient group that can support up to 30 attorneys representing multiple practice divisions. Under her leadership, the team, attorneys and staff, has been able to effectively and efficiently transition to a work-from-home environment.

Simone, paralegal, is based in Minneapolis. He is recognized for his work on complex case filings and ability to manage even the smallest details throughout the litigation process, while enthusiastically assisting other members of the team. He also worked closely with Stinson's technology department, attorneys and staff to develop a highly sophisticated database for a client.

"We are thrilled to be able to recognize the immense efforts Curt, Michelle and Anthony and their commitment to their colleagues and the firm," said Heidi Burton, Stinson's chief human resources officer. "We are fortunate to have an incredibly dedicated staff throughout all of our offices who are always willing to go above and beyond for our clients."