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Pinellas-Pasco Circuit Judge Kimberly Todd Honored by Bar Association

CLEARWATER - On Friday, May 16, 2025, Pinellas-Pasco Circuit Judge Kimberly Todd, who currently presides over Adult Drug Court at the Pinellas County Justice Center, was presented the 2025 John U. Bird Judicial Excellence Award by the Clearwater Bar Association at its annual Law Day Luncheon at Ruth Eckerd Hall in Clearwater.

The award was created to recognize honor, high ideals, personal character, judicial competence and service. Other judges in the Sixth Judicial Circuit who have been given this award in the past include Frederick Pollack, George Jirotko, Philip Federico, Chief Judge Shawn Crane, and Jack Helinger.

Judge Todd, who has been on the bench since 2010, is currently presiding over Pinellas County's Adult Drug Court. In that capacity, she created the art challenge. There have historically been a variety of challenges in drug court that touch on bad habits, such as smoking, and good habits such as reading. With the art challenge, Judge Todd encourages participants to create works of art, such as paintings, sculptures or mixed media art. If they do so, the cost of supervision can be waived, from anywhere from one month to the entirety of one's probation, depending on the intricacy of the artwork. This art decorates the walls of Judge Todd's courtroom, "so the participants can see how much they are appreciated," in the words of the nominating papers submitted to the bar on Judge Todd's behalf. The art work was on display in 2023 as an official exhibit at Creative Pinellas' art gallery in Largo, near Heritage Village and the Florida Botanical Gardens, and it will be showcased there this year as well.

She has also served as a mentor to lawyers and judges alike, volunteered at the annual Bay Pines VA Stand Down for Homeless Veterans and at St. Anthony's Triathlon, and was the chair of the Sixth Judicial Circuit's Pro Bono Committee from 2014 to 2016, a position which required her to host a reception attended by 200 to 250 lawyers and judges. Her latest project is to enlist veterans to serve as mentors for veterans who are in Judge Todd's Veterans Treatment Court.



Judge Todd at the Clearwater Bar Association's 2025 annual Law Day luncheon. She was given the John U. Bird Judicial Excellence Award at the luncheon.