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Kalinthia Dillard Receives Legacy Award from the F. Malcolm Cunningham, Sr. Bar Association

The F. Malcolm Cunningham, Sr. Bar Association has honored Kalinthia Dillard, Esq., General Counsel and Deputy Inspector General for the Palm Beach County Office of Inspector General, with its Legacy Award, recognizing her leadership, service to the legal profession, and longstanding contributions to the Palm Beach County community.



The Legacy Award recognizes individuals whose leadership and commitment have had a lasting impact on the legal profession and the community. Dillard served two terms as president of the F. Malcolm Cunningham, Sr. Bar Association, a non-partisan voluntary bar association established in Palm Beach County in the late 1970s. The Association was later named in honor of F. Malcolm Cunningham, Sr., a pioneering attorney and civic leader who became the first Black person elected to the Riviera Beach City Council since Reconstruction in 1962—a milestone that helped break barriers in local politics.

Today, the Association continues its mission of promoting the professional development of lawyers, improving the administration of justice, educating both attorneys and the public about the law, and cultivating professional ethics and networking opportunities.

Beyond her service to the Cunningham Bar Association, Dillard has held leadership roles in numerous professional and civic organizations. She is a past president of the Forum Club of the Palm Beaches, the West Palm Beach Chapter of The Links, Incorporated, the YWCA of Palm Beach County, and the Virgil Hawkins–Florida Chapter of the National Bar Association.

Her leadership and service have earned her numerous recognitions throughout her career, including the 2016 National Association Black Lawyers Top 100, 2018 Attorney of the Year Award from the Law Related Education Association, the PBC Women's Chamber Giraffe Award, the PBC Chamber Athena Award, the Girl Scouts of SE Florida's Emerald Award, the Executive Women of the Palm Beaches Women in Leadership Award, and the Palm Beach County Bar Association's Professionalism Award. She was recognized by Florida Trend Magazine as a Legal Elite-Government.

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