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Troutman Pepper's Sahara Shrestha and Quintessa Davis Honored with Inaugural Donald J. Ridings Service Award by Rising for Justice

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Washington, D.C. – Sahara Shrestha and Quintessa Davis, associates in the firm's Washington, D.C. office, have been selected as recipients of the inaugural Donald J. Ridings Service Award by Rising for Justice. The duo was recognized during the Rising for Justice's Celebration of Service on October 10.

Rising for Justice's Celebration of Service honors individuals and organizations that most embody the organization's commitment to protecting the rights and dignity of people. The event also raises critical funds needed to support Rising for Justice's multifaceted programs that build equity and justice for all people in Washington, D.C.

Shrestha and Davis were recognized for their outstanding contributions to Rising for Justice's expungement program. The duo recently partnered with the legal nonprofit to help seal the records of a client who had spent more than two decades dealing with difficulties associated with three arrests, all of which ended in non-conviction. Despite the non-convictions, the mere existence of these records interfered with the client's ability to obtain higher-paying, stable employment.

"We are deeply honored to be recognized with the inaugural Donald J. Ridings Service Award," said Davis. "This acknowledgment underscores the importance of using our legal skills to make a tangible difference in the lives of those who need it most. We are grateful for the opportunity to contribute to such meaningful work."

"We are deeply thankful to Rising for Justice for their unwavering commitment to equity and justice," added Shrestha. "Their dedication inspires us to continue our collaborative efforts to support those in need and make a meaningful impact in people's lives."

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