

Special Recognition Award **OUTSTANDING SERVICE**



Dominique Varner

Dominique Varner, a partner at Hughes Watters Askanase, has been selected as this year's Outstanding HBA Member because she embraced the true meaning of our slogan, "Stronger Together." Once Dominique is invested in something, she sees it through to completion. While balancing her career and family, Dominique served two consecutive terms as President of HBAA (2020-2022). Under her leadership, HBAA held its increasingly competitive Chili and Pie Cook-off, which supports law student scholarships; hosted several social events; provided volunteers to welcome guests at the Harvest Celebration; and ended this year on a high note with a celebratory 75th Anniversary Luncheon. Dominique held an ex-officio role on the HBA Board of Directors and actively participated at every meeting. She is also finishing up her second year as co-chair of HBA's Hay Center Committee, which enriches the lives of current and former foster youth by organizing a holiday party, providing prom essentials for graduating seniors, and conducting educational programs to prepare for independence at eighteen years of age.

Dominique's energy, enthusiasm, and can-do attitude make her an essential member of any team. Her undeniable wit, charm, and sense of humor makes her likeable and the life of the party – notably, with outstanding attendance at HBA programs and events. Her confidence and commitment make her a successful lawyer. All of this make her this year's Outstanding HBA Member.