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WILLIAMSBURG — Former U.S. Supreme Court Justice Harry A. Blackmun was in Williamsburg Wednesday to present the annual Blackmun Award to Virginia's judicial community. The award is given to individuals who have made significant contributions to the judicial process in Virginia.

Judge Blackmun spoke to a large audience at the College of William and Mary, where he was formerly a professor. He praised the state's judicial system and the work of the judges who serve it.

"It is a great honor to be here today," said Judge Blackmun. "I have always admired the Virginia judicial system and the dedication of its members."

The award was presented to a variety of individuals, including judges, lawyers, and members of the Virginia Bar Association. The awardees were selected based on their contributions to the judicial process.

"I am deeply moved by the recognition," said one of the awardees. "It is an honor to be recognized for my work and I am grateful for the support of my colleagues."