

Minority Small Business Champion

Advocate earns honor for outreach

Local African-American business leader Faye Burch is being honored by the Small Business Administration for her longtime support of small businesses.

She will be honored during the Minority Business Opportunity Committee's Minority Enterprise Development Week

Awards Luncheon: Wednesday, Oct. 3, 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m., at the Oregon Convention Center.

"Her tireless efforts have provided tangible and significant support to small businesses and their communities," said SBA District Director Harry DeWolf. "She provides the tools, information and support that small business owners need; and most of all, she helps to create an environment in which the spirit of entrepreneurship

can flourish."

FM Burch & Associates, Inc. is a leading provider of specialized management consulting and technical services in business areas including: project and construction management, construction oversight, public involvement and general engineering-support services. The firm specializes in satisfying clients' needs for economic, community-development, construction, and construction-related projects.

Burch has a decade of public-policy experience including four years with local government and four years serving as the Senior Policy Advisor for Inter-Governmental Affairs and Small Business to former Gov. Barbara Roberts.

In 1999, she expanded operations to include a joint venture partnership in five gift and specialty shops at Port-

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Faye Burch

Minority Small Business of the Year

Vigil-Agrimis, a water and natural resources design company based in Portland, has been named Minority Small Business of the Year by the Small Business Administration.

"It is my pleasure to recognize Vigil-Agrimis, Inc. for their leadership, for advancing this nation's entrepreneurial spirit and their contributions to our economy and the small business community," said Oregon SBA District Director Harry DeWolf.

Vigil-Agrimis, Inc. specializes in planning, analysis, and design of water and natural resources projects. Since forming in 1999, they have become leaders in providing design services in the Western United States.

The company uses multidisciplinary teams of engineers, landscape architects, and environmental scientists to successfully complete assignments on hundreds of waterways and wetlands.

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