



Wisconsin REALTORS® Association
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WISCONSIN REALTORS® ASSOCIATION

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD

SELECTION PROCEDURES AND RECIPIENT RECOGNITION

Statement of WRA Recognition Objectives

The Wisconsin REALTORS® Association (WRA) benefits from the commitment and dedication of its members and employees. It also benefits from the efforts of others who share similar objectives and render significant service to the association and the real estate industry in Wisconsin. The association will strive to recognize those whose outstanding contributions of time, effort and creative imagination have enabled the association to better serve its members and to strengthen the fabric of association influence.

The WRA believes that the marketplace amply rewards those practitioners who provide exemplary service to customers and clients. Therefore, the association chooses to recognize outstanding service to the association and industry, and with such recognition, to encourage others to make a meaningful commitment to volunteer service.

BACKGROUND AND PURPOSE OF THE AWARD

The Distinguished Service Award (DSA) was established by the WRA at its January 1985 board of directors meeting. It was subsequently reviewed and modified by the board of directors in May 1998. The purpose of the award is to provide recognition to those REALTORS® who have provided many years of leadership and distinguished service to the WRA.

ELIGIBILITY

All current members, local association executives and employees of the WRA with at least five years membership or employment.

GENERAL CRITERIA

The DSA is to be the highest award the association confers. While the DSA is intended to recognize high quality service to the association on a long-term basis, it should not necessarily be viewed as an "end of career" or "lifetime" award. Each recipient shall have demonstrated a high level of commitment to the WRA. The recipient shall have contributed a substantial amount of time, effort and creative imagination to the association and shall have established a record of effective participation in the affairs of the association. The recipient's association activities shall have set a high standard and shall have been worthy of emulation. The DSA will be awarded only once to a recipient.

SPECIFIC CRITERIA

A member recipient shall have actively participated in the activities of the WRA; this is a state award, and local activities do not count. They shall have accepted volunteer responsibilities and have demonstrated leadership, expertise, teamwork and a commitment to the objectives and ideals of the association. They may have served on committees of the association or may have been an elected director or officer of the association. In whatever capacity of service, the recipient shall have exhibited a selflessness and willingness to place the association's interest ahead of their own.

Local association executives shall have actively participated in the activities of the WRA. They shall have shown extraordinary commitment to the association by volunteering, demonstrating leadership, expertise, teamwork and a commitment to the objectives and ideals of the association.

An employee recipient shall have shown an extraordinary commitment to the association, significantly exceeding the level of satisfactory job performance. Among the characteristics of their service will have been responsiveness to association and member needs, willingness to innovate and experiment, and a high level of skill at their job.

Either member, local association executive or employee recipients may have served the association by representing it in such capacities as service on state government commissions, task forces or study committees and will have distinguished themselves in such service.

RECOGNITION BESTOWED ON RECIPIENTS

The WRA chair will present the DSA(s) each year at the WRA Annual Convention. Recipients of the DSA will receive the following additional recognition from the WRA:

1. A special, custom-designed plaque.
2. Free convention registration that year covering the award recipient and their spouse, which will include tickets to all the WRA ticketed functions (excluding designation classes, institute, society or council events).
3. Special seating at opening ceremonies and reserved seating at the chairman's dinner.
4. Recognition of the award through notification in WRA magazine. In addition, DSA recipients will be listed in the WRA Annual Convention program.

SELECTION PROCEDURE

The nominating committee shall consider only individuals whose applications have been submitted to the committee for consideration by the deadline. Any member of the WRA including committee members, any local board or association of REALTORS® within the state of Wisconsin, or any employee of the WRA may submit a name and/or application for consideration. The maximum number of recipients each year shall be three.

The immediate past chair of the WRA shall automatically be considered for the DSA as if that person's name were submitted as above. Since the DSA will recognize association participation and leadership efforts, the immediate past chair should be a presumptive recipient.

Prior to August 1, the committee will determine which nominees are to receive the DSA. The recipient(s) will then be notified by the chair of the committee of their selection and invited to attend the WRA Annual Convention where the award will be presented. WRA staff will also notify the recipient's member company and local association.

NOMINATION PROCEDURE

To be considered for this award, an application must be completed by March 15, 2024.

If you have questions, please call or write Tom Larson, President & CEO, Wisconsin REALTORS® Association, 4801 Forest Run Rd., Madison, WI 53704 or 608-241-2047.

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**PAST
DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD
RECIPIENTS**

1985	EDITH CAMPBELL LOUIS DECORIOIS ROBERT KELLER	1998	JAMES SMITH ART ROETHE DAVID STARK RICHARD BEZANSON JOHN HOLZHAUER KITTY KUHL*
1986	KEN DISCH DAVE DONNELLAN		
1987	MARDI O'BRIEN JOSEPH WAVRA	1999	DAN LEE LINDA MARX JAN EDWARDS DICK KOLLMANSBERGER JEFF PETERSEN NANCY SCHMELZER
1988	CLAUDE BARTA JAMES GOULETTE ELSE LENSER		
1989	GEORGE BEZOLD RICHARD HINSMAN IRV STEIN	2000	WILLIAM BERLAND GALE FOSTER* CANDACE KRINER ARTHUR LUETKE ANNE PAULUS
1990	GEORGE MARK AL PETRIE DENNIS RADDANT	2001	PHARIS HORTON*
1991	JERALDINE MARCHANT MICHAEL SIEGEL ANITA WILDE	2002	CHARMAINE HAWKE MATT MILLER
1992	CAROLE LUKENS JACKIE MICKELSON TERRY SULLIVAN	2003	CHAR GLOCKE* SHEL LOZOFF ROBERT WEBER
1993	JOAN SERAMUR DON RISCH ARDEN EMMERICH	2004	WALTER "CORKY" HELLYER GAIL HOWARD KEVIN KING*
1994	GILBERT DOCKEN PAUL SCHMIDT DENNIS SCHWAB	2005	MARGERY CHAPMAN* KITTY JEDWABNY LOIS ROSEWITZ
1995	JULIE BERGER ADOLF PAVELEC B.R. "CASEY" STANGEL	2006	KATHY ALLISON-ZIMMERMANN SANDY BOLGRIHN* JEFF KITCHEN
1996	PETER DIDIER MARLENE PAVELEC ALICE SCIDMORE	2007	JOYCE BYTOF SUE DECKER ROGER RUSHMAN
1997	DENNIS BAEHR DEBORAH DELWICHE PETER SKAALAN	2008	MICHAEL SPRANGER
		2009	MICHAEL MULLEADY MICHAEL THEO* RON ZAHRT

2010	JOHN FLOR LEE KESSLER*
2011	JOAN ENGLERT* JOHN HORNING TOM SYKORA
2012	BARB MCGILL ROBERT KEEFE DELLA RANCOURT*
2013	RENNY DIEDRICH
2014	STEVE LANE JOE MURRAY* MICHAEL SEWELL
2015	DAN KRUSE BECKY MERWIN LAURIE NEWHOUSE*
2016	BETH JAWORSKI PAT KASTER K.C. MAURER
2017	TOM LARSON* ERIK SJOWALL
2018	PETER SVEUM
2019	CORI LAMONT* MIKE PIETREK JEAN STEFANIAK
2020	STEVE BEERS STEPH LARSON* DAN LAWLER
2021	DEBBI CONRAD* MARY DUFF CHRIS NORTHWOOD BOB WEBSTER
2022	JENNIFER LINDSLEY* BRAD LOIS WADE WILLIAMS
2023	RITA BLENKER JOHN "JACK" DRZEWIECKI JOE HORNING

** local or state staff*

**DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD COMMITTEE
INFORMATION SHEET**

Name of recommender: _____

1. Member name: _____

Firm name: _____

Address: _____

2. Number of years in real estate industry: _____

3. Number of years in state association: _____

4. Local board affiliation: _____

5. State association activities: Service as an officer, board of directors or committee member. (If committee chairman or member, please indicate name of committee.)

Office or position held: _____

Date of service: _____

Office or position held: _____

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Date of service: _____

6. Special state association involvement: (i.e.: task forces or political work)

Type of involvement: _____

Date of service: _____

Type of involvement: _____

Date of service: _____

Type of involvement: _____

Date of service: _____

7. Educational activities: (i.e.: WRA instructor)

Educational activity: _____

Date of activity: _____

Educational activity: _____

Date of activity: _____

Educational activity: _____

Date of activity: _____

8. State association governmental activities: (i.e.: RPAC legislative contact, attends political events or fundraisers, or has held an elected official position)

Governmental activity: _____

Date of activity: _____

Governmental activity: _____

Date of activity: _____

Governmental activity: _____

Date of activity: _____

9. REALTOR®-related institutes, societies or council affiliations:

Related institutes, societies or council affiliation: _____

Date of activity: _____

Related institutes, societies or council affiliation: _____

Date of activity: _____

10. Service organizations: (i.e.: state government commissions, task forces or study groups)

11. Any other comments on candidate: (attach additional pages if necessary)

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Application deadline: March 15, 2024