

American Public Works Association North Carolina Chapter

Robert E. Linkner Private Sector Service Award

The Robert E. Linkner Private Sector Service Award gives formal recognition of an honorary character to persons who have continuously served the American Public Works Association while working for a single, private sector organization. Eligible persons for this award must have been focused on public works in an official capacity for a long term of years and have made contributions to the advancement of Public Works and the North Carolina Chapter as a long term Member of the APWA.

ELIGIBILITY

Those persons who have honorably and efficiently served a single, private sector organization in an official capacity continuously for fifteen (15) or more years **and** who have been members in good standing of the American Public Works Association for fifteen (15) or more years are eligible to receive the Robert E. Linkner Private Sector Service Award. The individual's personal integrity and professional contributions to the North Carolina Chapter's success will be considered when making this award. A single, private sector organization is interpreted to mean a non-government entity. The nominating party may need to document the history of said private sector organization in the event of mergers, buy-outs, name changes or other means by which the company changes its official title.

Military service does not count against continuous employment if the nominee returned to the same agency after discharge. The fifteen years of APWA Membership shall coincide with the fifteen or more years of service to one private sector organization, and the person shall be a current Member of APWA or shall have been a Member at the time of retirement from the private sector organization.

SELECTION OF RECIPIENT

Upon receipt of nomination forms, the APWA-NC Awards Committee shall determine the eligibility of all Nominees for this award and may, at its discretion, waive certain requirements for good and sufficient reason. The Nominee's service to the Chapter will be verified. A majority vote of the Committee shall prevail.

ABOUT ROBERT E. "BOB" LINKNER

Robert E. "Bob" Linkner was a native of New York State. He lettered in collegiate baseball in 1959-1960 while earning his BS and MS degrees from the University of Kentucky. Bob moved to Charlotte, North Carolina and began his career with HDR Engineering in August 1967. He earned his professional engineer's license in 1968. Bob faithfully served HDR for more than 44 years. His technical background was in water treatment, distribution and storage, as well as wastewater collection and treatment. Bob joined APWA in 1977 and was awarded Life Membership in May 2007. He was very active in the North Carolina Chapter and hosted many annual APWA-NC Chapter events on behalf of HDR. In 2009, Bob was unanimously supported by the Chapter Board and nominated for the National APWA Harry S. Swearingen Award.



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This award was adopted by the North Carolina Chapter Board in March 2009 to honor and recognize Bob for his long term service and contributions to HDR, APWA, and the public works profession. Mr. Linkner passed away on April 14, 2012.

TIME AND METHOD OF AWARD

The award shall be made during the Annual Chapter Meeting of the APWA-NC, and/or at some other appropriate time and place as determined by the Committee, and shall be done with the appropriate dignity and ceremony.

QUESTIONS?

Contact the APWA-NC Awards Committee Chair

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Due to NC Chapter Awards Chair by **Friday, April 28, 2017**

electronic submittals preferred

Eligibility Questionnaire

Nominee's Name:

Title:

Name of Employer:

Address:

Office Phone:

Home Phone:

Began Agency Employment (month/year):

Contact Name and telephone to verify employment:

APWA Member since (month/year):

Has Nominee's employment been continuous since that date (military service does not count against continuous employment if you returned to the same agency after your discharge)? Yes No

If No, explain:

Required elements:

Education/Training:

Description of private sector career including transfers, promotions, accomplishments, etc.:

Description of APWA-North Carolina Chapter service:

(please use attachments)

Nominated By:

Name:

Title:

Agency:

Address:

Daytime Phone:

Email:

Signed: _____ Date: _____.

