# **Nomination Guidelines**

#### Purpose

To provide VSAE the opportunity to recognize those among its membership who have distinguished themselves and have met standards of excellence in the field of association management in Virginia. If nominees do not meet the criteria as established, the award is not presented that year.

### Criteria

# CEO

- CEO Executive Member (Current or former CEO)
- Member of VSAE (required)
- Held current position long enough to be judged on a number of achievements
- Manifests professionalism and high integrity
- Recognized by peers as a professional and a leader
- Holds a record of success and achievement in association management
- Provides leadership and service to VSAE

# Staff

- Non-CEO Executive Member
- Member of VSAE (required)
- Held current position long enough to be judged on a number of achievements
- Manifests professionalism and high integrity
- Recognized by peers as a professional and a leader
- Holds a record of success and achievement in association management
- Provides leadership and service to VSAE

### Associate

- Associate (Supplier) Member
- Member of VSAE (required)
- Served on or chaired VSAE committee(s)
- Received honors, awards or recognition from employer
- Participated in civic activities
- Recognized by peers as a professional and a leader

# **Career Service**

#### Purpose

This award is intended to be bestowed on individuals outside of the field of association management. It recognizes a special individual who has provided exceptional service over an extended period of time to multiple associations and their members. This award will not necessarily be awarded annually, but shall be presented only when the Awards Committee and Board feel it is appropriate.

#### Criteria

- Nominee <u>cannot</u> be a member of VSAE or work for an association (employer may or may not be an Associate member of VSAE)
- Due to the nature of this award, nominations may <u>only</u> be submitted by <u>Executive Members</u>
- Supports the association industry in their current employment
- Manifests professionalism and high integrity
- Holds a record of success/achievement within their industry

#### Past winners

Past winners have been from the hospitality industry and the General Assembly. However, nominees may be anyone who has provided exceptional service to association executives and their members over an extended period of time.