Excellence in Education Award

**Purpose**—The Excellence in Education Award recognizes those who demonstrate significant leadership ability and contributions having immediate or long-term impact on the NAEA education program.

**Eligibility**—NAEA current member in good standing within the association or any non-EA who meets the criteria as follows: The immediate or long-term contributions could be made through, but not limited to, teaching, writing, development, service for an NAEA education program, or other activity. Whether or not a person is compensated for the activity will not be a consideration. Posthumous nominations are permissible.

Outstanding Supporter of EAs Award

**Purpose**—The Outstanding Support of EAs Award recognizes non-NAEA organizations and those individuals who are not enrolled agents who make the “enrolled agent” and “EA” more readily recognized nationally, regionally, or locally as the tax professional of choice.

**Eligibility**—Nominations are limited to non-NAEA organizations and to those individuals who are not enrolled agents. Posthumous nominations are permissible. Nominee should be an organization or individual who has contributed significantly in the area of public awareness, having immediate or long-term impact on the heightened public recognition of the enrolled agent, NAEA, its affiliates, chapters of its affiliates, or an NAEA education program. The contribution could be made through, but not limited to, public or media appearances, public awareness administration, serving on an NAEA committee, teaching, writing, development, service with a public agency, or other activity. Whether or not a person is compensated for the activity to be recognized will not be a consideration. Employees of NAEA or any state affiliate are ineligible to receive the NAEA Outstanding Supporter Award.

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2014 NAEA Award Nomination Form

The NAEA awards program is a great way to recognize fellow enrolled agents. If there is somebody you know who deserves to be honored, be sure to submit your nomination by filling out the following form or visiting: www.naea.org/awards.

**Date:**

Nominee’s name:

Person submitting nomination:

**Nomination for:**

- Founders Award
- Excellence in Public Awareness Award
- EA Mentor Award
- Outstanding Volunteer Award
- Bill Payne Advocacy Award
- Excellence in Education Award
- Outstanding Supporter of EAs Award

In 500 words or less, on a separate page, state how the nominee exemplifies the award category for which he/she is nominated. Identify and be specific about the short- and long-term impact of the nominee’s contributions.

Submit your nominations no later than 5:00 p.m. (EST) June 6, 2014 to info@naea.org or fax (202) 822-6270.

We encourage you to submit multiple nominations, but please use a separate nomination form for each person. Awardees are eligible to win one award each year and nominations are accepted from members and associates.
Call for Award Nominations

What would we do without wonderful volunteers who give so generously of their time? Do you know someone who is active in the EA community and should be recognized for their outstanding contributions?

Each year, NAEA recognizes the achievements of its members and volunteers through its awards program. The Awards Committee needs you to nominate individuals who have demonstrated their commitment to improving our profession. The process to nominate someone is simple!

Fill out the attached form or visit www.naea.org/awards to download a form. We will honor the award winners on August 5, during the National Conference in Las Vegas. The deadline to submit nominations is June 6, so do not delay!

NAEA Founders Award

Purpose — The Founders Award is the association’s highest recognition bestowed on a member. This once-in-lifetime achievement award recognizes significant leadership and contributions of an enrolled agent who contributes to the growth and progress of the association.

Eligibility — NAEA member of at least three years and in good standing—except for a posthumous nomination in which the requirements would have been met at the time of the nominee’s demise. Member should be someone who contributed significantly to the development and growth of NAEA; must be or have been active on the national level; and should have been active on the state affiliate or chapter level. All nominations are for the current year only. Whether or not a person is compensated for the activity to be recognized will not be a consideration.

Excellence in Public Awareness Award

Purpose — The Excellence in Public Awareness Award is given to members who make “enrolled agent” and “EA” more readily recognized nationally, regionally, or locally as America’s tax experts.

Eligibility — Limited to affiliates, chapters of NAEA affiliates, and to those individuals who are current members in good standing with the association. Posthumous nominations are permissible. Nominee should be an organization or individual who has contributed significantly in the area of public awareness, having immediate or long-term impact on the heightened public recognition of the enrolled agent, the National Association of Enrolled Agents, its affiliates, or chapters of its affiliates. The contribution could be made through, but not limited to, public or media appearances, public awareness administration, serving on an NAEA committee, teaching, writing, development, service with a public agency while representing the association, or other activity.

EA Mentor Award

Purpose — To recognize significant contributions having immediate and/or long-term impact on the growth of the enrolled agent profession in general and the growth of the membership of NAEA in particular.

Eligibility — Limited to individuals who are current members in good standing with the association. Posthumous nominations are permissible. The nominee is an individual who has contributed significantly to the promotion of the enrolled agent profession and to the increase in the membership of NAEA. The contribution will be made by an individual dedicated to the causes of enrolled agents, and who instills excitement for those causes by leading, encouraging, and nurturing those who follow. Whether or not a person is compensated for the activity to be recognized will not be a consideration.

Outstanding Volunteer Award

Purpose — The Outstanding Volunteer Award recognizes enrolled agents who tirelessly assist at the chapter, affiliate, or national level.

Eligibility — Nominee is limited to members who either at the local, state, or national level has made an outstanding contribution to the chapter, affiliate, or NAEA during the year, or who has made significant contributions over a lifetime of service. The individual must be a current member in good standing with the association and must have, through his or her volunteer efforts, demonstrated the value of volunteer efforts at any or all levels of participation, be it local, state, or national. A person compensated for his or her efforts such as a paid speaker, paid staff, or paid volunteer would not be eligible. Posthumous nominations are permissible.

Bill Payne Advocacy Award

Purpose — In July 2010, William D. "Bill" Payne, EA passed away. The Bill Payne Advocacy Award was created in recognition of Bill’s generous donation of his time and effort to the association throughout the years and his unswerving dedication to protecting the rights of EAs before Congress. This annual award recognizes an NAEA member who best exemplifies Mr. Payne’s commitment to advocacy on behalf of enrolled agents.

Eligibility — Nominee is limited to an NAEA member who best exemplifies Mr. Payne’s commitment to advocacy on behalf of enrolled agents, whether at the local, state, or national level. Posthumous nominations are permissible.