



**TEXAS TRUCKING ASSOCIATION  
SAFETY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**

**DISTINGUISHED  
SAFETY AWARD PROGRAM**

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## **DISTINGUISHED SAFETY AWARD PROGRAM**

### **PURPOSE**

Since 1960, it has been the practice of TXTA and its Safety Organization to award, on an annual basis, the Distinguished Safety Award. This award seeks to honor that individual who best exemplifies the willing dedication to be of service to the Motor Transportation Industry, his or her Company and the employees and the public who are affected by our efforts. The recipient is one who has demonstrated the qualities of interest, enthusiasm and leadership in achieving the multiple goals of protecting lives and property in the motor traffic environment. The award is indicative of the best we have to offer in the area of Motor Fleet Safety.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

Any person employed full time with a trucking company directing the safety activities of a truck fleet may be nominated for the Distinguished Safety Award, provided that the nominee is responsible for the creation or administration of the safety program in a supervisory capacity and that the nominee has chosen a career in the field of highway and industrial safety.

In addition, all nominees must comply with the following:

1. Nominee must be domiciled in Texas
2. Previous award winners may not again be nominated
3. Nominee must be a member of TXTA and be an active member of the TXTA Safety Management Council (SMC).

Nominations, which are unsuccessful in any given year, may be resubmitted the following year by bringing the required information up to date as of the time of re-submission.

## **BASIS FOR THE AWARD**

Judging of nominations shall be based upon the professional qualifications of the nominee, success in advancing highway safety in the fleet, relationship and cooperation with governmental authorities whose regulations control or affect the operation of the fleet and methods of meeting and solving safety problems of the type of fleet in which the nominee is employed. The nominee shall also be judged on his/her work and leadership in the safety activities of the Texas Trucking Association's Safety Management Council and/or other organizations of safety professionals in which the nominee holds active membership.

Since most information will be obtained from the nomination presentation, judging will also consider the form and manner of submission of the documents. Incomplete or missing documents will disqualify the nomination from further consideration.

## **SELECTION PROCESS**

Any active member, employed by a motor carrier as stated above, may be nominated for the award. The nomination may be submitted by the nominee's company, associated persons or, individually, by the nominee.

TXTA staff will screen nominations to ensure all qualifications have been met.

Nominations deemed sufficiently outstanding to qualify for the award as a result of the committee's investigation and screening will be submitted to the Board of Judges. This board will be comprised of active past recipients of the Award. The board will make a selection from the qualifying nominations.

To maintain the integrity of the award, the TXTA Distinguished Safety Award will be presented each year in which the Award Committee of the TXTA Safety Management Council determines that there are qualified nominees.

## **NOMINEE INSTRUCTIONS**

1. The nomination package must be complete in order to be eligible for judging. Missing documents may disqualify the nomination. Where instructed to provide verification of information, the requested documents are to be enclosed or noted as unavailable for a specific reason. For example, a former employer has gone out of business, etc.
2. The "Nominating Form" must be endorsed by the Chief Executive Officer of the nominee's employing company.
3. Employment History should be documented by letter from former employers, where possible. Such letter should indicate dates of employment and job duties.
4. The "essay" portion of the nomination document permits the nominee to address areas not covered in the remainder of the document. Where possible, documentation of activities reported are necessary. This may be in the form of appreciation letters, copies of programs, statistical graphs, etc.

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## DISTINGUISHED SAFETY AWARD NOMINATION

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(Name of Individual Being Nominated)

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(Company)

The above named individual is hereby nominated for the TXTA Distinguished Safety Award as a full time Safety Professional responsible for the creation or administration of safety programs within a motor transportation fleet. This nominee has proven to be of high moral character and has devoted his/her career to the field of highway safety.

All of the statements contained in support of this nomination are true and correct. Complete and full authority and freedom is hereby granted to the Safety Director Award Committee of the TXTA Safety Management Council to investigate the records of the nominee and of the fleet in which he/she is employed to determine his/her qualifications, progress and the success of the nominee's work. The results of such investigations shall be held in confidence.

It is agreed that the nominee, if selected for the award, will be in attendance at the TXTA Annual Conference to receive the award.

Signed:

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(Nominee)

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(Company Executive)

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(Company Executive – Printed Name & Title)

# DISTINGUISHED SAFETY AWARD

## Nominee Information Sheet

### Personal

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Ring Size \_\_\_\_\_ Sport Coat Size \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Company Name \_\_\_\_\_

Company Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Work Ph \_\_\_\_\_

Marital Status \_\_\_\_\_ Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Children (Names and Ages) \_\_\_\_\_

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Memberships and Civic Involvement (Church, Lodges, Clubs, etc. and offices held)

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### Education

Formal Education (Circle Highest Grade Completed)

#### High School

1 2 3 4

#### College

1 2 3 4

#### Post Graduate

1 2 3 4

List Degrees, Schools and Dates

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Professional Seminars/Workshops attended within past five years. List the three most significant and show course name, sponsor, location and date.

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*(If additional space is needed for education, attach and label as "Appendix A")*

# Employment History

Provide data for the past ten years

**Current Employer** \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Your Position \_\_\_\_\_

Assigned Duties \_\_\_\_\_

Previous Employer \_\_\_\_\_

Full Address \_\_\_\_\_

Supervisor Name \_\_\_\_\_ Title \_\_\_\_\_

Your Position \_\_\_\_\_

Assigned Duties \_\_\_\_\_

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Your Position \_\_\_\_\_

Assigned Duties \_\_\_\_\_

*(If additional space is needed for employment history, attach and label as "Appendix B")*

## Active Affiliations

List current memberships (business and professional) in local, state and national groups whose primary function is to promote safety, with emphasis on traffic safety. Explain participation and accomplishments, not just membership and attendance. List the group name, offices you held and corresponding dates.

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## Professional Certifications

List all professional certifications. Include type, issuing body, date and your certification number.

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*(If additional space is needed for active affiliations or professional certifications, attach and label as "Appendix C")*

## Essay

Please provide a thorough explanation, on three pages or less, of the nominee's worthiness for consideration as a recipient of the Distinguished Safety Award. Items for consideration may include but are not limited to the following examples:

- Active participation in the programs of the TXTA/SMC such as: road side inspections, truck driving championships, committee participation, and/or enlistment of members into TXTA/SMC. Discuss the degree of involvement and accomplishment.
- Attendance and participation in the meetings and seminars sponsored by TXTA/SMC.
- Assisting others as they set up transportation safety programs.
- Teaching or speaking to schools, civic groups, etc., in regard to traffic safety.
- Participation in other safety activities or safety/public relations efforts.
- Effectiveness of programs (Examples – accident frequency reduction, cost reductions, etc.)

**Please note: if you would like assistance in preparing your exhibit and/or have questions regarding the process, the TXTA Safety Management Council offers a Distinguished Safety Award mentoring program of former DSA recipients. If you are interested please contact Lance Shillingburg at 800.727.7135 x108.**

**Applications must be returned to TXTA Offices by April 19, 2024.**

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Return this form to: TXTA Safety Management Council – Distinguished Safety Award Committee  
P.O. Box 6429, Austin, TX 78762