THE JOHNNY G. WILSON MEMORIAL AWARD

The National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualifications (Pro Board) has established an award in honor of Johnny G. Wilson who passed away on August 15, 2004. This award may be presented annually to an individual who has demonstrated professionalism in the field of fire service certification in the same manner that Mr. Wilson performed for the Georgia Fire Fighter Standards and Training Council.

At the time of his death, Mr. Wilson was the Interim Director for the Georgia Fire Fighter Standards and Training Council, Chairman of the Pro Board's Advisory Committee, an Ex-officio Member of the National Board on Fire Service Professional Qualification's Board of Directors, a member of the Pro Board's Committee on Accreditation, and a member of the National Fire Protection Association's Technical Correlating Committee on Professional Qualifications. Professional, dedicated, honest, fair, and faith based were the hallmarks for this 'Georgia Gentleman'. Mr. Wilson's words and deeds were always courteous and respectful; and it is in this light that the Pro Board honors Mr. Wilson's life through this award.

Award Criteria

The Johnny G. Wilson Memorial Award is presented to an individual from an Accredited Agency who has devoted a significant part of his/her life to the advocacy of professional qualifications through the accreditation and certification processes; and who has exemplified Mr. Wilson's dedication, professionalism, and enthusiasm for certifying fire service personnel at the local, state, national, or international level.

Nomination Process

A call for nominations will be sent to all accredited agencies each year and all accredited agencies are invited to participate. Nominations for the Johnny G. Wilson Memorial Award must be submitted to Accreditation Manager Bob Rand (rrand@proboard.org) by November 15th on the form designed specifically for this award. A one-page narrative shall be attached to the nomination form detailing the nominee's contributions and up to 3 endorsements for the nominee may be included. The endorsements may be of any length and should thoroughly detail the nominee's contributions.

Awards Selection Committee

The Pro Board Award Selection Committee consists of the following:

- A representative of the Board of Directors serving as Chair of the Committee.
- The Chair of the Committee on Accreditation.
- Three members appointed by the Board of Directors from the elected members of the Committee on Accreditation each serving staggered 3-year terms. There shall also be one alternate appointed from the same group of elected COA members to complete the term of the person vacating the position. The Accreditation Manager shall make a recommendation for appointment(s) to the Board of Directors annually.
- The Accreditation Manager (Non-voting member)

The Selection Committee shall meet as needed to review the nominations. The Selection Committee shall have a copy of all nomination materials forwarded to them after November 15th. The Chair of the Selection Committee may conduct follow-up on any or all the nominations, as necessary. The Selection Committee shall determine the process for evaluating the nominations keeping in mind the prestigious nature of the award and the level of excellence demonstrated by Mr. Wilson. A maximum of one award may be presented annually; however, no award will be given if, in the opinion of the Awards Selection Committee, none of the nominations meet the criteria.

Award Presentation

The Johnny G. Wilson Memorial Award will be presented at the annual Pro Board Conference meeting by the Chair of the NBFSPQ Board of Directors or designee. Every effort shall be made to ensure the recipient is present and the Pro Board will cover their travel and lodging expenses.

The Award

The recipient of the Johnny G. Wilson Memorial Award will receive a plaque or statue commemorating the award and a perpetual listing of all award recipients will be posted on the Pro Board's website.

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AWARDS SELECTION COMMITTEE

I hereby submit the name of _____
(Provide full name)

for consideration of receiving The Johnny G. Wilson Memorial Award. Attached is a narrative detailing the nominee's contributions in the field of emergency services certification and other justification for being considered for this prestigious award.

NOMINEE'S ADDRESS: _____

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NOMINEE'S TELPHONE NO: _____

NOMINEE'S EMPLOYER: _____

NOMINEE'S TITLE AND POSITION: _____

This nomination is submitted by: _____
(Name and Title)

TELEPHONE NUMBER OF SPONSOR: _____

EMAIL ADDRESS OF SPONSOR: _____

SIGNATURE OF SPONSOR: _____ DATE: _____

This nomination form shall be emailed to Accreditation Manager Bob Rand at rrand@proboard.org.