



AHS Award Nomination Form

Award Category: _____

Nominee: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Country: _____ Postcode: _____

Employer/University: _____

Job Title: _____

Business Telephone: _____ Fax: _____

Reason for Recommendation *(including nominee's experience and achievements)*:

(additional typewritten pages may be added)

Submitted by (name, company affiliation): _____

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AHS International – The Vertical Flight Society

Awards Brochure

The AHS International Awards Program

AHS International has a tradition for honoring the vertical flight industry's most outstanding achievements. Established in 1944, the Society's Awards Program provides an international showcase for the finest work and research in the industry. Whether it be for a single outstanding contribution or achievement, a major technical innovation, an act of heroism, long and valued service or work that will further advance the frontiers of vertical flight technology and applications, Society awards attract worldwide recognition. ☒



someone, or a group of persons, you feel is making an outstanding contribution to the world of vertical flight, please read through this brochure, select the appropriate award and make your recommendation.

How do you nominate someone?

Nominations are welcomed from members and nonmembers of the Society. You should be able to select the appropriate award for your nominee from the details in this brochure. Should you require further information, however, please contact the AHS Executive Director or other members of the AHS staff who will be pleased to help.

Nominations may be mailed to headquarters using the information form on the back page of this brochure, or you may nominate deserving colleagues or teams on-line at our web site www.vtol.org. Award nominations must be submitted by the end of January.

Nominations and endorsements are first considered by the Awards Committee, which is chaired by the Chairman of the AHS Board of Directors. The committee also includes representatives from academia,

government and private industry, plus the AHS Technical Director and, on a nonvoting basis, the AHS Executive Director. The Awards Committee then submits a list of recommended recipients to the Executive Committee of the Society for consideration and final approval.

The successful nominee will be informed prior to the Annual Forum of his or her award. All nominations are treated as strictly confidential and unsuccessful nominees will not be informed of their nomination. ☒

Who is eligible for an award?

The Society's Awards recognize achievement at all levels and in all disciplines. Anyone working in the vertical flight industry, anywhere in the world, whether in academia, airframes, engines, systems, the military services, government, research, manufacturing, or in civil and commercial operations or in any other discipline involved in vertical flight is eligible. The Awards Program is structured to recognize individuals at various stages of their careers.

Who makes the nominations?

The simple answer is you do. You have an important and responsible role to play in identifying those of your colleagues deserving of special recognition. If there is

AHS Awards



Honorary Fellowships

Since 1944 Honorary Fellowships have been granted to Society members whose work toward the interest of AHS has constituted an outstanding achievement. The granting of Honorary Fellowships is in perpetuity, and a certificate and life membership in the Society is given to each Honorary Fellow elected. Typically, no more than two such awards are given in any single year, except in special circumstances.

The list of previous winners includes many industry pioneers. Colonel H. Franklin Gregory, USAF and Igor I. Sikorsky (both 1944), Arthur M. Young, Dr. Alexander Klemin, Frank N. Piasecki, Stanley Hiller, Charles H. Kaman, Lawrence D. Bell, and Jean Ross Howard, among others, are honored recipients of AHS Honorary Fellowships. These names are representative only and a complete listing of previous recipients of AHS Honorary Fellowships and all other awards are contained in the current AHS International Member Directory. ☒

The Dr. Alexander Klemin Award

Created in 1951 by industry pioneer Frank Piasecki, the Klemin Award is given for notable achievement in advancement of rotary wing aeronautics. The award honors the memory of an eminent aeronautical engineer, educator, author, and outstanding pioneer in rotary wing aeronautics.

Previous winners include Igor I. Sikorsky, Louis Brequet, Bartram Kelly, Frerich L. Von Doblhoff, Robert Lichten, Bernard Lindenbaum, Ralph Alex, Charles Kaman, Stanley Hiller, Joseph Mallen, Russian designer Marat Tischenko, and Francois LeGrand. ☒

The Captain William J. Kossler Award

The Kossler Award, established in 1951, is given for the greatest achievement in practical application or operation of rotary wing aircraft, the value of which has been demonstrated by actual service during the preceding calendar year. The award honors the memory of a US Coast Guard airman, aeronautical engineer, and early advocate of helicopters in search and rescue operations.

Previous Kossler Award recipients include the Russian military and civil pilots who participated (and gave their lives) in the Chernobyl nuclear incident, the Operation Desert Storm Apache Strike Team, KLM North Sea Helicopters, British Airways Helicopters, Columbia Helicopters, and a number of US Coast Guard flight crews who participated in various rescue operations. ☒

The Grover E. Bell Award

The Grover E. Bell Award, created in 1957, is given to foster and encourage research and experimentation in helicopter development and is awarded annually to the person or persons who have made an outstanding contribution within the field during the preceding calendar year.

Previous winners include Kurt H. Hohenemser, Igor Sikorsky, Jan M. Drees, project and technical teams involved in the design and development of the Sikorsky ABC concept, the UH-60 Black Hawk, the AH-1 Cobra, the AH-64 Apache, the XV-15, the Army Rotorcraft Academic Centers of Excellence and George T. Singley, and the NASA Full-Scale Aerodynamics Complex. ☒

The Frederick L. Feinberg Award

Since 1961 the Frederick L. Feinberg Award has been presented to the helicopter pilot(s) who accomplished the most outstanding achievement during the preceding calendar year. It honors the memory of an outstanding helicopter test pilot and an exemplary man.

Previous Feinberg Award winners include the Marine Corps HMH-461 aircrew which in 1991 rescued the US Embassy garrison in Mogadishu, Somalia; a Coast Guard flight crew which performed a successful nighttime rescue more than 500 miles at sea off the North Carolina coast; and test pilots Charles Parlier, Edward Wilson and Nicholas Lappos. ☒

The Igor Sikorsky International Trophy

The Igor Sikorsky International Trophy, created by Sikorsky Aircraft in 1961, is given to the company that designed and manufactured a pure helicopter establishing an official record during the preceding calendar year in the official Class E-1 category for maximum speed, altitude, distance or payload.

Previous winners of the trophy include the Mihail L. Mil Design Team (1961), Sikorsky Aircraft, Aerospatiale, McDonnell Douglas Helicopter Company, and Robinson Helicopter Company. ☒

The Paul E. Haueter Award

The American Helicopter Society's Paul E. Haueter Award was instituted in 1966 and is presented to an individual or company which has made significant contributions to the development of vertical take-off and landing aircraft other than helicopters. The award honors an aeronautical engineer, devoted public servant, and AHS officer who was instrumental in fostering the early development of VTOL aircraft in the United States.

The Howard Hughes Award

The Howard Hughes Award is given in recognition of an outstanding improvement in fundamental helicopter technology brought to fruition during the preceding calendar year. Established in 1977 by Hughes Helicopters to honor the memory of Howard Hughes and his pioneering accomplishments in aviation, the award is intended to foster accomplishments in the basic disciplines of the industry.

Previous winners include John F. Ward of NASA, Robert A. Ormiston, the McDonnell Douglas NOTAR Team, the Boeing Helicopters 360 Team, and Anton J. Landgrebe. ☒

The Harry T. Jensen Award

Since 1986, the Society has given the Harry T. Jensen Award in recognition of an outstanding contribution to the improvement of helicopter reliability, maintainability or safety through improved design brought to fruition during the preceding year. Established by Sikorsky Aircraft, the award honors Harry Jensen's contributions to enhance helicopter qualification, structural reliability and safety.

Previous winners include the US Naval Air Systems Command and the Boeing Vertol CH46 Team, Joseph P. Cribbins, Bristow Helicopters, Westland Helicopters, Helikopter Service and Stewart Hughes. ☒

The Gruppo Agusta International Helicopter Fellowship Award

The Agusta Award, given in memory of Italian designer Paolo Bellavita, recognizes significant contributions to the extension of fellowship and accomplishment in the international helicopter arena. Previous winners include John F. Zugschwert, Ian Cheeseman, Marat Tischenko, the FAA Rotorcraft Directorate, the US Army Aeroflightdynamics Directorate, and Sergei Sikorsky. ☒

The AHS Fellow Awards

AHS Fellow Awards are granted to Society members whose work toward the goals and objectives of the vertical flight industry constitute an outstanding achievement. Under award guidelines, up to four Fellows may be recognized in any single year. ☒

The John J. Schneider Historical Achievement Award

Established in 2003, in the memory of vertical flight historian John J. Schneider, this award is given in recognition of distinguished achievement in encouraging appreciation of, and enhancing access to the history and legacy of vertical flight aircraft. The selection of the award recipient is based upon a significant achievement or sustained record of accomplishment in the documentation, preservation, analysis and illumination of historically significant events, prominent pioneers and/or technologies, designs and uses of vertical flight aircraft. The award recipient will receive a scale model of Leonardo da Vinci's "Aerial Screw" on an inscribed mount, and a book selected from the list of titles available through AHS International. ☒

The Francois Xavier Bagnoud Vertical Flight Award

The Francois Xavier Bagnoud Vertical Flight Award, created in 1992 and first known as the AHS Director's Award, recognizes an outstanding contribution during the preceding year to vertical flight technology by a member under the age of 30. The Award honors the memory of a young helicopter engineer, Swiss citizen, author and rescue pilot who founded the AHS student chapter at the University of Michigan. ☒

The AHS Supplier Excellence Award

Created in 1995, the AHS Supplier Excellence Award is given to a supplier which, through the quality, innovativeness and cost-effectiveness of its products, has made a notable contribution within the vertical flight industry. ☒

The Robert L. Pinckney Award

The Robert L. Pinckney Award is given in recognition of notable achievement in manufacturing research and development for rotorcraft or rotorcraft components brought to fruition in recent years. The Award was created by Boeing in 1995 to honor the memory of Robert L. Pinckney, an eminent manufacturing engineer. ☒