Recommend to the Board of Directors recipients of the Distinguished Service Award, William H. Van Rensselaer Public Service Award and Lorraine P. Sachs Standard of Excellence Award.

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MICHAEL T. DAGGETT, CPA
William H. Van Rensselaer Public Service Award

Michael T. Daggett, CPA, of Phoenix, AZ, is NASBA past chair 2011-2012. His involvement with NASBA is extensive. Mr. Daggett is a former chair (2010-2011), vice chair (2009-2010) and director-at-large (1999-2006) of NASBA. He is also a former chair of NASBA’s Ethics, Litigation Response and Assistance, Regulatory Structures and Issues, Awards and Nominating Committees. A member and past chair of NASBA’s Past Chair Advisory Council, Mr. Daggett served as a member of NASBA’s Ethics and Strategic Issues Committee, Global Strategies Committee and Uniform Accountancy Act Committee.

During his term as NASBA Chair, Mr. Daggett was at the helm of NASBA’s international efforts and is credited with many of the strides made in promoting NASBA globally, and in bringing the Uniform CPA Examination to international candidates. His program of promoting state boards’ activities as a “big deal” resulted in clarity on NASBA’s role and position on private company accounting standards, further enhanced NASBA’s involvement internationally, and provided continued success in the relevance and effectiveness of state boards and the Accountancy Licensee Database.

Mr. Daggett is a former member of the AICPA’s Board of Examiners, Professional Ethics Executive Committee, Quality Review Executive Committee and its Governing Council. He has served as president of the Arizona State Board of Accountancy, as well as the president of the Arizona Society of Certified Public Accountants (ASCPA). As an ASCPA life member, Mr. Daggett was the chairman of the Arizona Tax Liaison Committee and a member of the Society’s Arizona Tax Legislation and IRS Tax Liaison Committees.

Mr. Daggett is a retired partner of the firm of Daggett McConachie & Moore, CPAs, LLP. With offices in Phoenix and Sun City, the firm provided accounting and tax services for individuals and small and medium-sized businesses. He was also a partner in this firm’s predecessor and has been a partner and held staff positions in other national and local accounting firms, most recently with Michael T. Daggett, CPA, from 2009-2019.

A distinguished past president of the Kiwanis Club of Phoenix, Mr. Daggett holds a Bachelor of Business Administration degree in Accounting from Wichita State University. He and his wife, Sharon Lord Daggett, are the proud parents to two children, Samantha Michele Gort and Anthony Michael Daggett.

PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

Since 1988, candidates for the William H. Van Rensselaer Public Service Award are individuals who have earned recognition through their contributions to the public accounting profession. Prior candidates have led the development or improvement of programs for Boards of Accountancy, or influenced passage of rules or statutes to improve accountancy regulations and laws, with the goal of protecting the public.


JAMES CORLEY, CPA
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Lorraine P. Sachs Standard of Excellence Award

James Corley, CPA, of Little Rock, AR, has served as executive director of the Arkansas State Board of Public Accountancy since 2010. He is a licensed CPA in Arkansas and earned a bachelor’s degree in accounting from the University of Central Arkansas.

Mr. Corley began his professional career in public accounting, working for Arthur Andersen and PricewaterhouseCoopers. He also has experience in the private sector, working in the telecommunications and staffing industries.

From 2015-2016, Mr. Corley served as the chair of NASBA’s Executive Directors Committee and as executive directors’ liaison to the NASBA Board of Directors. Prior to being named chair, he was a member of the Executive Directors Committee from 2011-2015 and 2016-2017. Most recently, he has served as a member of NASBA’s Legislative Support Committee.

Mr. Corley is a member of the Arkansas Society of Certified Public Accountants and the American Institute of CPAs (AICPA). As an AICPA member, Mr. Corley has served on the CPA Exam Practice Analysis Advisory Committees and is a current member of the AICPA Board of Examiners.

In addition to his professional affiliations, he is a current member of the University of Central Arkansas College of Business Advisory Board, and is chairman of the Deacons and Finance Committee at his church. In his spare time, Mr. Corley enjoys hunting, fishing and spending time with his wife, Andrea, and sons, Walt and Jack.

PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

Since 2008, recipients of the Lorraine P. Sachs Standard of Excellence Award are state board executive staff leaders who show excellence in regulating and make a positive impact on the accounting profession.

2018
Susan L. Somers

2015
Daniel R. Sweetwood

2014
Viki A. Windfeldt

2013
Richard C. Sweeney

2012
Robert N. Brooks

2011
Barbara R. Porter

2010
Daniel J. Dustin

2009
William Treacy

2008
Carol Sigmann

2007
Nicole Kasin

2006
Jim Abbott

2005
Daniel J. Dustin
MICHAEL WEINSEL, CPA
NASBA Distinguished Service Award

Michael Weinshel, CPA, of Fairfield, CT, served as the Northeast regional director of NASBA, from 2007-2010, and chair of NASBA’s Enforcement Assessment and Best Practices Committee, from 2009-2011. Mr. Weinshel is a former co-chair of the Enforcement Manual Task Force and a former member of NASBA’s Awards, Enforcement Resources, Ethics, Ethics and Strategic Issues, Nominating, Regulatory Structures and Issues, Regulatory Response, and Relations with Member Boards and Uniform Accountancy Act Committees.

A practicing CPA for over 40 years, Mr. Weinshel passed the CPA Examination on his first attempt. His passion was his profession. Most recently, he demonstrated his passion and his high ethical standards as managing member of Weinshel, Wynnick & Associates, CPAs, LLC.

Mr. Weinshel was appointed to the Connecticut State Board of Accountancy in April of 2002. As a member of the American Society of CPAs (AICPA), he served two terms on Council, chaired the AICPA Joint Trial Board and served on their Accountant’s Legal Liability, State Legislation Taxation and State Society Relations Committees. Mr. Weinshel is also a past president of the Connecticut Society of Certified Public Accountants, where he received the Society’s Meritorious Service Award and Public Service Award.

His community affiliations included serving as chairman of the Board of United Home Health Care. Subsequently, he served on the Bridgeport Hospital Board and Finance Committee. Mr. Weinshel was very active in scouting and earned the rank of Eagle Scout. He also served as a national representative, scoutmaster, treasurer and vice president of finance and endowments for Boy Scouts. As an acknowledgement of his dedication to the organization, he was honored with a Boy Scouts District Award of Merit.

In 2006, Mr. Weinshel was recognized as one of NASBA’s “Remarkable People” because of his charitable work for soldiers stationed abroad, and in 2009, he and his wife, Carol, along with Ms. Susan Spivack, were honored with a NASBA Center for the Public Trust Being a Difference Award, for their continuous encouragement and selfless endeavor to boost the morale of U.S. soldiers overseas through their Soldier Support Packages Initiative, which has adopted over 35,000 deployed soldiers from a variety of Combat Aviation Brigades since 2005.

A native of York, PA, Mr. Weinshel received his B.S. from Marietta College and his M.B.A. from the University of Bridgeport. He and his wife, Carol, are parents to Colonel Matthew and Anne Weinshel and their children, Samuel and Benjamin; Drs. Randy and Stephanie Weinshel and their children, Audrey and Sean; and Seth and Kristy Weinshel and their son, Nathaniel.

PREVIOUS AWARD WINNERS

Since 1999, recipients of the NASBA Distinguished Service Award are individuals who have demonstrated unswerving commitment and dedication to enhancing the mission of the National Association of State Boards of Accountancy.