

## **Katharine E. Morgan Women in Leadership Award**

### **INTRODUCTION**

This award was established as a Society Award in 2024, and developed by Committee F15 on Consumer Products, to honor the achievements of Katharine E. Morgan (aka Kathie). This award is named for Kathie Morgan, ASTM International's first woman President, serving from 2017 through 2024. Kathie joined ASTM in 1984 supervising the standards development work of several technical committees, including Committee F15 on Consumer Products. In 2007, she then became Vice President of Technical Committee Operations and Executive Vice President in 2015, until assuming the role of ASTM International President in 2017. Kathie led the organization through a period of significant organizational growth, including the addition of several new technical committees, two centers of excellence, an international chapter, and four student chapters. She also ushered in the development of a robust diversity, equity, inclusion, and belonging program for the organization as well as the development of a set of Core Values that help ensure that every voice matters. During her time managing Committee F15, Kathie oversaw the development of standards for the child resistance of portable fuel containers, portable bed rails, booster seats, bassinets and cradles, children's jewelry, window fall prevention and more.

Kathie holds a bachelor's degree in chemical engineering from Lafayette College in Easton, Pennsylvania, and a master's degree in business administration from Widener University in Chester, Pennsylvania. She served as a member of the American National Standards Institute's Board of Directors, The National Institute of Building Sciences (NIBS), the Council of Engineering and Scientific Executives, the International Consumer Product Health and Safety Organization (ICPHSO), the Society for Standards Professionals (SES), and the American Society of Association Executives.

### **PURPOSE**

The purpose of the Katharine E. Morgan Women in Leadership Award is to recognize female leaders of ASTM International committees who have made significant contributions to the development of standards.

### **REQUIREMENTS**

Award requirements are as follows:

1. Candidates are women who have demonstrated significant contributions to the development of ASTM International voluntary standards through leadership such as main committee officer and subcommittee chair roles, symposia/workshop planning, and/or presenting and promoting ASTM standards at professional events. Other examples may include leading the development of multiple standards initiatives, leading ILS programs, working to identify and/or create new areas of standardization, bringing new stakeholders into the process, and mentoring new or emerging members and stakeholders.
2. Recipients of this award are recognized leaders within their committees and shall have received at least one committee-sponsored award.

3. Candidates must be prominent members of ASTM International, and active on at least one subcommittee at the time of nomination to be eligible for consideration.
4. Candidates may be nominated by individuals or groups from within or outside ASTM International.

## **ADMINISTRATION**

The award is administered as follows:

1. No more than two (2) individuals can be selected for the award in a single year. If no suitable candidates are identified in a particular year, the Award is not given that year.
2. Nominations, containing as much detail as possible about a candidate's qualifications (See guidelines below), must be received at ASTM International Headquarters by February 1 to be considered that year. Nominations received after February 1 will be held for consideration the following year.
3. Nominations are evaluated and selected by the ASTM International President.
4. Successful nominees and their nominators are notified of their election by the Office of the President. Time and place for presentation of the award is designated by the President after consultation with the awardee and the ASTM International staff.
5. The nominators of unsuccessful candidates are contacted by the committee staff manager.

## **GUIDELINES FOR PREPARING NOMINATIONS**

Nomination packages must describe candidates' qualifications as completely as possible. The following information should be provided in each package:

1. Candidate's name, business title, business address and telephone.
2. Plaque citation (see Award Format)
3. Candidate's professional/career background, including a listing of relevant ASTM presentations and publications (articles, books, etc.)
4. Candidate's outstanding contributions within an ASTM International Committee(s). All offices and special positions held in ASTM should be identified, and accomplishments to advance the efforts of the global standards community specifically identified.
5. Candidate's standards or policy-related leadership interactions with governments, industry or academia.
6. Candidate's past ASTM honors, citations, and awards that relate to voluntary standards.
7. Name and title of the person, committee, or organization nominating the candidate.
8. Name, business address, and telephone of the principal contact acting for the nominator.

## **Award Format**

A wall plaque will be posted at ASTM Headquarter which will include name plates of all award recipients.

The personal award shall consist of a glass sculpture.

A citation will be created by the nominator and included on the nomination form. The citation should consist of 25 words or less about the candidate.

## **Katharine E. Morgan Women in Leadership Award Nomination Form**

### **Section I – Nominee**

Name  
Title  
Organization  
Address  
City, State

### **Section II – Biographical Data**

### **Section III – Citation**

This should be carefully prepared wording illustrating why the recipient is getting the award. Please be brief, no longer than three lines (approx. 25 words). Due to length, citation may not be included in whole on the award but will be read in presentation of the award.

### **Section IV- Documentation of ASTM Qualifications**

Please include:

- Committees/Subcommittees in which the nominee is active
- Leadership positions/offices held in ASTM
- ASTM awards received
- Candidate's outstanding contribution within ASTM International Committee(s) for which they are being nominated
- Candidate's standards or policy-related leadership

### **Section V – Nominating Committee**

Please list the names and addresses of the persons submitting the nominations. Please include telephone number and e-mail addresses as appropriate.