

MASON LANKFORD FIRE SERVICE LEADERSHIP AWARD

RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE IN LEADERSHIP, READINESS
AND SAFETY IN THE FIRE SERVICE COMMUNITY

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MISSION STATEMENT

Co-sponsored by the Congressional Fire Services Institute and Motorola Solutions, the Mason Lankford Fire Service Leadership Award recognizes leaders in public safety who have been proactive at the local, state or federal government level to improve the delivery of the fire and emergency services in the areas of prevention, mitigation and response.



J. MASON LANKFORD, JR.

A native of Texas, Mason dedicated his time, energy and passion to the fire and emergency services both within his home state and throughout the country. His primary mission was to make the profession safer for all who served—whether as career or volunteer. In 1987, when newly elected Congressman Curt Weldon first proposed the idea of establishing the Congressional Fire Services Caucus, Mason stepped forward and offered his support, pledging to recruit members of the Texas delegation—including then House Speaker Jim Wright—to join. The Speaker's support ensured the successful launch of the Caucus, which remains one of the largest and most active caucuses in Congress.



THE MASON LANKFORD FIRE SERVICE LEADERSHIP AWARD

Jointly sponsored by the Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI) and Motorola Solutions since 1998, the award exemplifies the work of Mason Lankford. Mason's legacy resonates in the message he imparted to the entire fire service, calling for a stronger fire service without leaving anyone behind. Mason waged his best battles not on the fire ground, but in congressional and state legislative offices. He did not look at issues with any predispositions that favored one group over another. Mason sought a fire service that stressed preparation and readiness of all responders.

RECOGNIZING EXCELLENCE

Each year, the Mason Lankford Fire Service Leadership Award is awarded to an individual from the fire service community who most exemplifies one or more of the following goals.

- ★ Leadership in promoting and supporting fire/emergency services and life safety issues
- ★ Advancing the readiness of the fire/EMS services at any level of government (local, county, state, federal)
- ★ Strengthening fire safety through the development of fire prevention programs
- ★ Acting as a catalyst to improve the fire service

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SUBMISSION GUIDELINES

- To be considered for this award, the candidate must be nominated by someone other than him/herself.
- An abstract of 200-500 words detailing how the candidate has worked to promote fire service issues must be included along with this application form.
- The application must also include the written recommendations of two elected officials at either the local, state or federal level who are familiar with the candidate's leadership in the fire service.
- Please see the CFSI website at www.cfsi.org for the application deadline; it is subject to change each year. Or contact CFSI at 202-371-1277.

AWARD ELIGIBILITY

- Candidate must have a fire service or EMS background, or have served a significant role in the fire and life safety community.
- The actions or achievements for which the candidate is being considered must have a positive impact in advancing the readiness of the fire and EMS services at any level of government (local, county, state, or federal).

SELECTION COMMITTEE

The Selection Committee is comprised of the CFSI Board of Directors and Chairman of the CFSI National Advisory Committee. The award recipient will be the sole decision of the CFSI Board of Directors.

AWARD CEREMONY

- The recipient of the Mason Lankford Fire Service Leadership Award will be honored at the annual National Fire and Emergency Services Dinner held each Spring in Washington, D.C.
- The winner will receive a trip to Washington, D.C. to attend the dinner. This includes airfare and hotel accommodations.

APPLICATION FORM

NOTE: Please use one application form for each candidate you are recommending. Application, abstract and recommendations should be sent to:

CFSI - Mason Lankford Fire Service Leadership Award
900 Second Street NE - Suite 303
Washington, D.C. 20002
phone: 202-371-1277
fax: 202-682-3473
email: update@cfsi.org
www.cfsi.org

DATE _____

CANDIDATE

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

TELEPHONE _____

FAX _____

EMAIL _____

NOMINATING PERSON

NAME _____

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Established in 1989, the Congressional Fire Services Institute (CFSI) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan policy institute that works with members of Congress in promoting fire and life safety issues. Working with other national fire service organizations, the Institute focuses its attention on issues that benefit all first responders. Members of the Congressional Fire Services Caucus, the largest caucus in Congress with over 300 members, look to CFSI for guidance and information to enhance their level of understanding about the challenges and needs of our nation's fire and EMS communities.

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