



THE SOAR MEDAL

for Outstanding Contributions to the Ontario Administrative Justice System

2021 Nomination Form

Ensure separate detailed documents are attached to Nomination

Nominee	Nominator
Name _____	Name _____
Title _____	Title _____
Agency/Organization _____	Agency/Organization _____
Telephone _____	Telephone _____
Email _____	Email _____

Yes, I have attached a separate document outlining detailed information and accomplishments about the nominee.

Nomination Instructions

Nominations must include:

- A letter of nomination setting out the reasons for the nomination;
- Background information on the nominee's outstanding service and achievements as they relate to the award;
- A current curriculum vitae; and
- Two (2) letters from other individuals supporting the nomination. Deadline for receipt of all submissions is Monday, October 15, 2021.

Please send completed nomination form and nominee details to:

SOAR Medal Selection
Committee c/o 131 Bloor St.
W.
PO Box 22031, The Colonnade
Toronto, ON Tel: 416-623-7454 Fax:
416-623-7437
E-mail: executivedirector@soar.on.ca

What is the SOAR Medal?

Award Criteria

The SOAR Medal is SOAR's top honour. The SOAR Medal is the highest expression of esteem that SOAR can convey. It honours those who have made a significant contribution and demonstrated their commitment to the field of administrative justice, who have been dedicated and active members or supporters of SOAR, and who have made a significant contribution to the administrative justice field and to the well-being of the community at large. To be eligible for the award, an individual must meet the following criteria:

- consistent outstanding service and achievement or exceptional leadership dedicated to advancing excellence in the field of administrative justice, above and beyond the successful completion of day-to-day responsibilities; or
- A singular accomplishment of particular significance to the administrative justice community.

Although it is not mandatory for the award recipient to have volunteered for SOAR, the selection committee will consider an individual's unpaid volunteer service with SOAR.

For more information about the SOAR Medal program, visit <https://soar.on.ca>.

For questions specific to the award and selection process, please contact:

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What are Administrative Justice System Agencies?

Administrative justice system agencies are organizations, which work at arm's length from government and determine the legal rights and regulatory obligations of Ontario residents under provincial statutes.

What is the Society of Ontario Adjudicators & Regulators (SOAR)?

SOAR is a non-government, non-partisan organization of agency chairs, members (adjudicators) and staff devoted to the improvement of Ontario's administrative justice system in the public interest. Its members come from provincial administrative justice system agencies.

Who May be Nominated?

The award is open to both current and former members and staff of Ontario's administrative justice community. This includes adjudicators, tribunal staff, lawyers who practice before agencies, public servants, academics and judges. Current members of SOAR's Board of Directors are not eligible.

Who Selects the Award Recipient?

A selection committee from the administrative justice community, which could include past SOAR medal winners, shall meet after the close of nominations to select the winner, from among the list of nominees. The successful candidate shall be chosen by unanimous agreement among the selection committee.

Previous SOAR Medal Recipients

Beginning with the award's inception in 1995.

1995	Robert W. Macauley, Q.C., Dr. Ratna B. Ray, George Thomson	2005	The Honourable Madam Justice Deena Baltman, David Mullan, Ted Yao
1996	Mary Cornish, Andromache Karakatsanis, Andrew J. Roman	2006	Murray Chitra, The Honourable Justice Denis O'Connor, Robert Owen
1997	Jeff G. Cowan, S. Ron Ellis, Q.C., Margot Priest	2007	The Honourable Douglas Carruthers, Carole Prest
1998	Marie C. Rounding, John Swaigen, George Adams	2008	Mary Ellen Cummings, Linda L. Gehrke, Dr. Bonita (Bonnie) Porter
1999	Gary J. Guzzo, Janet Skelton, Gary C. Yee	2009	Sara Blake, Chisanga Puta-Chekwe
2000	Clare Lewis, Heather MacNaughton, Brian Goodman	2010	Mary Camacho, Dean Lorne Sossin, The Honourable Justice Kevin Whitaker
2001	Doug Colbourne, Carolyn Fenn, Ken Sandhu	2011	James Girling, The Honourable Justice David Stratas, Toby Vigod
2002	The Honourable John Laskin, Kent McClure, Zeynep Onen	2012	Ayumi Bailly, Justice Edward Ormston, Paul Sommerville
2003	Michael Bay, the late David B. Braund, the late Nick McCombie	2014	Mr. Robert Butterworth, Q.C.
2004	Kathy Laird, Richard Prial	2015	The Honourable Stephen T. Goudge, Q.C.
		2016	Mr. Ian Strachan
		2017	The Honourable Freya Kristjanson, Mr. Gary R. Stanley
		2018	Avvy Yao Yao Go, Lilian Ma
		2019	Valerie Jepson, Janet Leiper
		2020	Emanuela Heyninck, Susan E. Opler
			Brian Cook, Laura Pettigrew