



Dear GSCPA Leadership Member:

You probably know several CPAs who do much more than their share when it comes to helping others. In order to recognize the efforts of these special individuals, each year the Georgia Society of CPAs presents one of its members with a Public Service Award.

Currently, the Society is soliciting applications for its 2012 award. If you know of a CPA that is particularly worthy of this award, please consider contacting the individual and gathering the information that would enable you to complete the application form attached. Or perhaps you might work along with the nominee in a joint effort; while the nominee completes the application, you could prepare a letter of reference stating why you feel the individual should receive this award. When the application has been completed, please return it to my attention at the Georgia Society of CPAs by December 16, 2011.

The award recipient will be chosen based on the following:

- \* Participation in community, charitable or other civic activities on the local, state or national level, especially in a leadership capacity and on an ongoing basis;
- \* Responsibility for a public service project that had a significant positive effect on the community;
- \* Encouragement of participation in and/or implementation of public service projects through written articles or other published materials; and
- \* Service in an outstanding manner as an appointed or elected government official at the local, state or national level.

Our public service award winner, along with those from the other state societies, will automatically be nominated for the AICPA Public Service Award. A panel of experts from outside the accounting profession will choose this award recipient.

Your input is needed, and we hope that you will assist us in our quest to recognize those members who have made major contributions to the profession and the Society. If you need assistance or have questions, please call Jennifer Poff at (404) 504-2939 or send an email to [jpoff@gscpa.org](mailto:jpoff@gscpa.org).

Sincerely,

Boyd Search, CAE  
Chief Executive Officer

# 2012 GSCPA PUBLIC SERVICE AWARD

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 16, 2011

## INSTRUCTIONS:

All nominees must complete the information requested on this form in its entirety to be considered for the GSCPA award. Attachments, such as references and background articles, are very helpful. Please note that only public service activities should be described. Professional service related to accounting organizations is not considered in determining the award winner and, therefore, should not be included.

Candidate's Name and Title: \_\_\_\_\_

Candidate's Employer & Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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## Number of Years in the Profession:

5-10 Years       10-20 Years       20-30 Years       Over 30 Years

## Practice Area:

Private Practice       Industry       Government       Education       Other

## PUBLIC SERVICE ACHIEVEMENTS

Please use the following format for each organization for which the nominee has performed public service when submitting the activities of the nominee. Using the seven underlined headings shown below, please type responses using as many additional pages as necessary. Within each question, for example "Nominee's Activities and Accomplishments" list the responsibilities/activities in order of significance to the nominee:

- 1) Summary – provide a summary of the nominee's public service activities, including the candidate's most significant contributions.
- 2) For each public service entity, please provide the following:
  - a) Name of organization
  - b) Organization's purpose
  - c) Positions held by nominee
  - d) Nominee's activities and accomplishments – Was the nominee instrumental in initiating or leading charitable efforts for this organization? Has the candidate taken a leading role in solving problems? Did the candidate identify a problem and devise a way to solve it? If so, describe here.
  - e) Impact on the community – How has the candidate's work improved his/her community, including the number of people who benefited from the candidate's activities? What have been the tangible benefits and the importance of those activities to the community's overall well being? Also, consider the level of impact at the national, regional or local level.
  - f) Time commitment – Assess a candidate's current level of involvement, including hours devoted per month and the length of time the candidate has been involved in charitable and/or civic activities.
  - g) Innovation – Has the candidate done something truly different or outstanding? Is the program or activity with which the candidate is involved unique in any way?
- 3) Nominee's Rationale – To be completed by Nominee. Describe in your own words, why you feel particularly worthy of receiving an award. (If nomination is submitted by a person who is not the candidate, please note that candidate will subsequently be asked to complete this information).

### Send completed form via mail to:

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