



National Awards

(All awards will be determined by a committee comprised of ToolBank USA board members and/or staff)

Rupert Barkoff Exemplary Affiliate Director Award



The Rupert Barkoff Exemplary Affiliate Director Award has been established to honor an affiliate Director who has demonstrated outstanding and dedicated leadership and service to their affiliate ToolBank.

History: Rupert M. Barkoff, age 71, passed away in June of 2019, in Atlanta, GA and at the time was serving as Pro Bono legal counsel for the ToolBank USA board. Rupert spent his entire career as an attorney with Kilpatrick Townsend (originally Kilpatrick & Cody), joining in 1973 upon moving to Atlanta following law school graduation. He was a pioneer in the field of Franchise Law, demonstrating expertise in franchisor and franchisee practices, both nationally and internationally, with frequent trips to Australia to support new business concept development. Everyone who encountered Rupert remarked about his gentleness, intelligence, and sense of humor. Rupert joined the ToolBank family in 2011 as a national ToolBank board member and used his franchise expertise to help make the ToolBank a network of affiliates.

Eligibility: All currently active Affiliate board directors, in good standing, are eligible for this award. The Board Director must have served a minimum of one year on the Affiliate Board of Directors.

Documentation and Requirements: Any ToolBanker, including ToolBank USA Board members, but not ToolBank USA staff, may nominate an affiliate board member to win this award. ToolBank USA will provide a nomination form, which will include space for a narrative of no more than 500 words, explaining the work of the board member and how they made a difference to expand the affiliate work and how it was beneficial to the community. The winner of the Rupert Barkoff Exemplary Affiliate Director Award will be determined by the ToolBank Executive Advisory Council.

Recognition and Award: The winner of Rupert Barkoff Exemplary Affiliate Director Award will receive a commemorative award and a \$1000 grant will be awarded to the Affiliate they serve.

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2020 Nomination Form

The Rupert Barkoff Exemplary Affiliate Director Award has been established to honor an affiliate Director who has demonstrated outstanding and dedicated leadership and service to their affiliate ToolBank.

Date: _____

ToolBank affiliate board member being nominated: _____

(The Board Director must have served a minimum of one year on the Affiliate Board of Directors.)

Please provide a short bio on the nominee, including dates of service on the board and any board positions they held or currently serve in. (If possible, please include a photo of nominee.)

Name of person submitting nomination form: _____

Email: _____

Phone: _____

How are you associated with this ToolBank? Please Check One

- ToolBank USA Board Member
- Affiliate Board Member
 - Name of Affiliate _____
- Affiliate Staff
 - Name of Affiliate _____
- Affiliate Volunteer
 - Name of Affiliate _____
- Other _____

Please provide a narrative of no more than 500 words, to state why the nominated affiliate board member should receive the Rupert Barkoff Exemplary Affiliate Director Award.

Please include any photos that you feel may be helpful to this nomination.

- Check here for authorization of ToolBank USA to use these photos for collateral, media releases, and/or social media posts. I(we) also have a photo release from any person/persons represented in the photo.

Name: _____ Signature: _____