

EPCOR PAYMENT SYSTEMS AWARDS NOMINATION PACKET

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PAYMENT SYSTEMS AWARDS

It is okay to brag! EPCOR wants to hear about your successes! Each year, EPCOR recognizes individuals and organizations for their outstanding leadership, innovation and excellence in the development, implementation or advancement of electronic payments and risk mitigation solutions with *The Marquis Award* and/or *The David P. DeMarea Payments Innovation Award*. The awards are presented at the *EPCOR Payments Conference – Spring and Fall*.

All EPCOR members, including depository financial institutions, affiliates and associates, and their affiliated organizations, are eligible nominees. We invite your nominations via the official nomination form. You can even nominate yourself!

THE AWARDS

THE MARQUIS AWARD

Established in 1990, *Marquis Awards* are presented annually to individuals or organizations that have demonstrated leadership in the implementation, advancement or awareness of electronic payments; or have exhibited long-standing support and contributions to the EPCOR mission.

- Has your organization implemented forward-thinking financial products—such as instant payments, a P2P service or mobile application for your customers or members?
- Have you developed or championed practices instrumental in the advancement of electronic payments, such as offering an ACH credit solution to small businesses or charity organizations?

Past Recipients Include:

- **2019 Marquis Award:** Bill Esry, President and CEO accepted the Marquis Award in recognition of Blue Ridge Bank & Trust's unique Independence Square branch which opened in May 2019.
- **2018 Marquis Award:** Scott Laferty, AAP, NCP, accepted on behalf of Heritage Bank, In recognition of the bank's robust ACH Risk Management and Due Diligence program which includes an extensive review of not only Third-Party Sender clients, but the customers of the Third-Party Sender as well.
- **2018 Marquis Award:** Leah Morgan, AAP, accepted on behalf of Grand Savings Bank of Grove, OK, in recognition Grand Savings Bank's "Junior Board" program.
- **2017 Marquis Award:** The award was given to Benita Penick, AAP, NCP, PBI Bank
- **2016 Marquis Award:** Tim Mills of The Clearing House for being a long-time supporter of EPCOR and its predecessor association, Payments Central.
- **2015 Marquis Award:** The award was presented to Carroll Monden, AAP, Treasury Management Operations Manager, First United Bank & Trust of Durant, Oklahoma.
- **2015 Marquis Award:** The Bank of Kentucky was recognized for its comprehensive risk underwriting and risk management program for Third-Party Senders.

THE DAVID P. DEMAREA PAYMENTS INNOVATION AWARD

The David P. DeMarea Payments Innovation Award is presented to an individual or organization that has implemented innovative payments or risk management solutions. This award is named after the late David P. DeMarea, longstanding EPCOR Director and Senior Vice President of ARVEST Bank Operations.

- Have you implemented a proactive strategy or policy addressing payments system risk?
- Does your organization utilize a robust methodology for onboarding new originators and/or third parties?
- Has your organization developed or implemented an innovative mobile, bill payments or security solution to serve your customers/members?

Past Recipients Include:

- **2022 David P. DeMarea Payments Innovation Award:** RIBBIT was recognized for leveraging the recency and accuracy of bank behavior to power lenders, billers, banks and Fintechs to make smarter decisions, expand financial inclusion and reduce fraud.
- **2020 David P. DeMarea Payments Innovation Award:** First Community Bank's Verify program that detects ACH abnormalities and monitors for data errors and suspicious activity. The solution allows the bank to proactively manage payment activity, while mitigating risk and fraud for the institution and its corporate clients.
- **2019 David P. DeMarea Payments Innovation Award:** Art Moore, AAP, Vice President, Deposit Operations Manager in honor of nbkc bank's Fountain City Fintech program which offers a forward-thinking banking partner, compliance expertise and a solid infrastructure for scale to early-stage technology startups that focus on the financial services industry.

OTHER MARQUIS AWARD RECIPIENTS

2014	Jointly to Carrollton Bank and St. Louis Community Credit Union & Corporate One Federal Credit Union	2002	Shelter Insurance Companies
2013	Fifth Third Bank & Pulaski Bank	2001	Kansas State Treasurer's Office
2012	Jerry Woessner, AAP & Debbie Howell, AAP	2000	SBC Services, Inc.
2011	Brotherhood Bank & Trust & Montgomery County Treasurer's Office	1999	Ameren Corporation
2010	Dollar Bank & Commerce Bank	1998	Missouri State Treasurer's Office; Missouri Department of Social Services
2009	APEX-ACH, U.S. Central Federal Credit Union	1996	Southwestern Bell
2008	Nebraska State Treasurer's Office	1995	Twentieth Century Investors
2005	American National Property & Casualty Company	1994	Oklahoma Gas & Electric Company
2004	Ameritrade, Inc.	1991	Union Electric; State of Nebraska; NACHA
2003	Jackson County, Missouri	1990	Financial Management Service; U.S. Department of Treasury; Public Service Company of Oklahoma; Marion Merrell Dow, Inc.

TOP 5 REASONS TO NOMINATE

1. Public recognition at the annual *EPCOR Payments Conference* luncheon (Spring & Fall)—Recipients receive photos from conference awards ceremony, for use in promotional efforts
2. EPCOR Press release and Social Media outreach
3. News article on the recipients in *News You Can Use* (e-Newsletter)
4. Permanent addition to the “Hall of Fame” section of www.epcor.org
5. Recognition in the EPCOR annual report



SUBMISSION PROCESS

Please submit your nominations for the *EPCOR Marquis Award* or *David P. DeMarea Payments Innovation Award* at any time. Nominations will be reviewed and considered in conjunction with the upcoming *EPCOR Payments Conference - Spring or Fall*.

Please submit nominations via the online submission form available at www.epcor.org or by scanning the QR code below.



Nominators understand and agree that their submissions will become the property of EPCOR. EPCOR may edit and publish the material on its website and in other EPCOR publications, newsletters or incorporate into training.