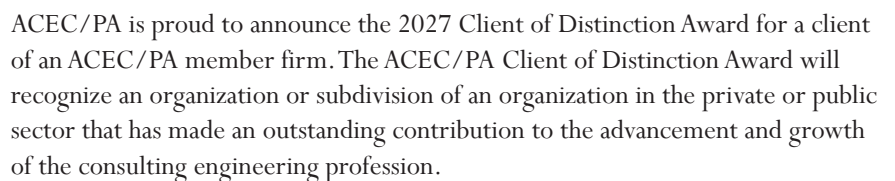


A dark blue, semi-circular graphic with a white geometric pattern, containing the text 'CLIENT OF DISTINCTION AWARD' in white, bold, sans-serif capital letters.

# CLIENT OF DISTINCTION AWARD

**2002** • Delaware River Port Authority  
**2003** • Johnson and Johnson Merck  
**2005** • Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission  
**2006** • City of Harrisburg  
**2007** • Lawrence King, PennDOT  
**2008** • Lycoming County  
**2009** • Exelon Power  
**2010** • SEPTA  
**2011** • Pennsylvania American Water  
**2013** • PennDOT District 5-0  
**2014** • The City of Philadelphia, Streets Dept.  
**2015** • Montgomery County Commissioners  
**2016** • PennDOT Multimodal Transportation Deputate  
**2017** • SEPTA  
**2018** • Pennsylvania Environmental Council  
**2019** • Pennsylvania State University, Office of Physical Plant  
**2020** • Allegheny County Airport Authority  
**2021** • Pennsylvania Turnpike Commission  
**2022** • City of Pittsburgh's Department of Mobility & Infrastructure  
**2023** • Mike Keiser, PennDOT  
**2024** • Pittsburgh Water and Sewer Authority  
**2025** • PennDOT Engineering District 6-0  
**2026** • Schuylkill River Development Corporation

A high-angle photograph of a city skyline, featuring a prominent glass skyscraper with a pointed top, surrounded by other buildings and a river in the background.

ACEC/PA is proud to announce the 2027 Client of Distinction Award for a client of an ACEC/PA member firm. The ACEC/PA Client of Distinction Award will recognize an organization or subdivision of an organization in the private or public sector that has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement and growth of the consulting engineering profession.

The award will be presented to a client of an ACEC/PA member firm that has been nominated by a principal member of the firm. The client must be located in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. A special judging panel of ACEC/PA members will select the recipient of the Client of Distinction Award. The criteria for the 2027 Client of Distinction Award are:

- The nominee shall be an outstanding client in exercising fair business practices regarding contracting with consulting engineering firms.
- The nominee shall be an outstanding client providing a visionary approach and practice toward team building and/or partnering.
- The nominee shall have served to influence or provide service on issues of importance to consulting engineers.
  - The nominee shall be an outstanding client that demonstrates the utilization of ACEC/PA member firms and consulting engineering firms in general.

The award will be presented to the recipient in person at the Diamond Awards for Engineering Excellence gala in January. A nomination form for the 2027 Client of Distinction Award is included. Nomination forms must be received by noon Nov. 23, 2026 ([electronic submissions only](#)).



# ACEC/PA CLIENT OF DISTINCTION

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| Name of Award            | Client of Distinction Award                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                |
| Purpose                  | The purpose of the award is to recognize an organization or subdivision in the private or public sector that has made an outstanding contribution to the advancement and growth of the consulting engineering profession.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                  |
| Eligibility              | Any client, including a government agency (local, state or federal), located in or performing operations or projects within the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania that utilizes the services of an ACEC/PA member firm.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                         |
| Nominations              | Only a principal of an ACEC/PA member firm can nominate a client for this award.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                           |
| Selection of Candidate   | The appointed Client of Distinction Award panel is appointed by the president and may include members of the board of directors and past presidents. The awards committee will select the recipient.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                       |
| Criteria for Award       | <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• The nominee shall be an outstanding client in exercising fair business practices regarding contracting with consulting engineering firms.</li><li>• The nominee shall be an outstanding client providing a visionary approach and practice toward team building and/or partnering.</li><li>• The nominee shall have served to influence or provide service on issues of importance to consulting engineers.</li><li>• The nominee shall be an outstanding client that demonstrates the utilization of ACEC/ PA member firms and consulting engineering firms in general.</li></ul> |
| Presentation             | The award will be presented to the recipient in person at the Diamond Awards for Engineering Excellence gala on Jan. 28, 2027, in Lancaster, Pennsylvania.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                 |
| Award                    | The award will be of a prestigious nature as developed by the ACEC/PA Awards Committee.                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                    |
| Deadline for Nominations | Noon, Nov. 23, 2026 ( <a href="#">electronic submissions only</a> )                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                                        |