



ACF DISTINGUISHED FORESTER AWARD

Distinguished Foresters are elected by the total voting membership. Distinguished Foresters exemplify outstanding contributions to forestry and to the Association of Consulting Foresters of America, Inc. (ACF). This encompasses their contributions to the application of forestry on private lands, to the advancement of the profession, to private ownership of forest lands, and to ACF. The award is restricted to 25 voting members, or 5 percent of the voting membership, whichever is larger.

Election to the status of Distinguished Forester will require a two-thirds vote by those voting.

Nominations for Distinguished Forester must be received in the national office by the close of business on January 31, 2025. When nominations are received, the national office staff will validate the nomination and the sponsors, and if validated, the nomination will be referred to the ACF Executive Committee. If approved, the membership will be polled, and if elected, the candidate will receive a suitable certificate commemorating the election at the next ACF National Conference.

A complete nominating packet containing instructions, petitions, and consent form are enclosed. Extra copies may be obtained from the national office.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR SUBMISSION OF ACF DISTINGUISHED FORESTER PETITION

PETITIONS:

1. Petitions for nomination for election to Distinguished Forester must be submitted in the prescribed format on the enclosed form. Petitions may be duplicated for circulation of signature.
2. The petition must contain at least 10 valid signatures of Members or Retired Members in good standing. Nominating and voting will be by the total voting membership of ACF.
3. The full printed name of each signer is required for validation.
4. Petitions must be accompanied by a biographical sketch and a digital photograph and received in the national office on or before January 31, 2025. Petitions received after January 31, 2025, will be returned for resubmission in the following election year and validated at that time.
5. The petition must contain the signed consent statement of the nominee.



BIOGRAPHY:

Each petition must be accompanied by a biography submitted in an editable digital format and follow the outline below:

- Full name, current position, city and state (if retired, indicate most recent position and indicate retired status)
- Education: undergraduate, graduate, special training, (include degree(s), major(s) and year(s) received)
- Military service, if applicable
- Work history, including brief description of responsibilities demonstrating outstanding service to forestry
- ACF activities including length of membership, activities, office or committee positions held demonstrating service to the Association
- Other professional memberships and/or affiliations
- Professional awards and achievements (list most current first)
- Summary of major publications and articles, if applicable
- Significant personal and/or civic activities and achievements

PHOTOGRAPH:

Each petition must be accompanied by a digital image of the candidate.

SUBMISSION METHODS:

Mail petition and consent statement to 21430 Timberlake Road #209, Lynchburg, Virginia 24502 or e-mail to shannon@acf-foresters.org.

Biography and photo must be submitted electronically to shannon@acf-foresters.org.



Nomination Petition for Election to Distinguished Forester

We, the undersigned voting Members and retired Members of the ACF, hereby nominate _____ for election to **Distinguished Forester**. We know the nominee to be a Member or Retired/Lifetime Member of the ACF and he/she has been informed of this petition and consents to the nomination.

SIGNATURE

PRINT FULL NAME

1. _____

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NOMINEE CONSENT

I hereby consent to have my name placed in nomination for election to **Distinguished Forester**. I have reviewed, find it to be accurate, and hereby approve the accompanying biographical sketch, and agree to its publication.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Printed Name: _____