**GIBB GILCHRIST AWARD**

Before his death, John S. Redditt of Lufkin provided funds and an endowment to establish the Gibb Gilchrist Award for outstanding service to the people of the State of Texas in the Texas Department of Transportation. In accordance with Mr. Redditt's wishes, the Board of Directors of Texas A&M University assumed responsibility for holding the endowment in trust, making the final selection of award winners and presenting the awards at the annual TxDOT Transportation Conference or another appropriate occasion. The Texas Department of Transportation will assume the responsibility for making nominations of the persons from whom the award winner will be selected. The following procedures are established for the awards and the selection of award winner.

1. This award was created as the Gibb Gilchrist Award. This award is to be granted for outstanding service to the State of Texas in the Texas Department of Transportation.

2. The award consists of $1,000 each in cash and an appropriate plaque.

3. The Award Selection Committee consists of three persons appointed by the President of Texas A&M University, one of who shall be a member of the University staff and the others shall be two prominent citizens of Texas having no official connection with the Texas Department of Transportation or Texas A&M University. The President will designate the Chairman.

Appointments will be continuous subject to the wishes of the individuals concerned and the University.

4. Subject to the availability of funds from the John S. Redditt Endowment, the award will be made either annually or semi-annually.

5. Those eligible for the award are engineers who are or have been employees of the Texas Department of Transportation for at least four years. The engineer receiving the award is to be actively engaged in any of the following types of engineering: (a) planning, (b) transportation, (c) design, (d) construction, (e) maintenance, (f) bridges, (g) materials and research, or (h) traffic. In the interest of recognizing and stimulating contributions made by those advancing in the ranks of engineering, the Executive Director and his principal staff assistants are not to be considered as candidates for the award.

6. From a list of candidates submitted by the District Engineers, Division Directors and Office Directors of the Texas Department of Transportation, the Executive Director shall, annually, select three nominees for each award to be presented. The names and citations of each nominee will be forwarded to the Award Selection Committee approximately three months prior to the date of the award. The Executive Director is not obligated to make nominations if, in his opinion, there are no eligible persons with significant contributions. In like manner, the Award Selection Committee is not obligated to select an award recipient if, in their opinion, a suitable candidate is not available.

7. The primary basis for selecting an award winner is the contribution that the individual has made to the development of highways and public transportation in Texas. "The Award Selection Committee has asked that recommendations of the award also include specific accomplishments which make the nominee truly outstanding. The nominations should include information describing specific achievements and how these are of significant benefit to the public or are clearly beyond the normal accomplishments of other employees."

8. The plaque will be designed and mutually agreed on by the Executive Director and the President of Texas A&M University. The name of the award winners will be displayed in the Highway Research Center of Texas A&M University.

**TxDOT TRANSPORTATION CONFERENCE AWARDS**

The award is presented annually at TxDOT Transportation Conference.

### GIBB GILCHRIST AWARD

Established Endowment in 1966 - Gibb Gilchrist

The recipient receives $1,000 check and plaque

Administered by TTI through TAMU Fiscal Department

**Nominations:**

* Call for nominations distributed throughout TxDOT by the Executive Director
* Names of candidates submitted by district engineers, division directors and office directors to the executive director
* The TxDOT executive director selects three nominees for the award
* Names of candidates are sent from the executive director to the Chairman of the Award Selection Committee

**Criteria for nomination:**

"Outstanding service to the Texas Department of Transportation" (contribution which the individual has made to the development of highways in Texas)

**Eligible for nomination:**

Highway engineers who are, or have been employees of the Texas Department of Transportation for at least four years and are actively engaged in highway engineering

**Recipients of TxDOT Transportation Conference**

**GIBB GILCHRIST AWARD**

**1967**

J.R. Stone

Fort Worth District (2)

**1968**

Chester McDowell

Materials and Tests

D-9, Austin

**1969**

W.F. (Frank) Frey

Highway Design

D-8, Austin

**1970**

James M. Rylander (deceased)

Yoakum District (13)

**1971**

Ken Nagai

Beaumont District (20)

**1972**

Robert L. Reed

Bridges & Structures

D- 5, Austin

**1973**

Robert A. Brown

Fort Worth District (2)

**1974**

Frank J. Durda, III

Fort Worth District (2)

**1975**

John C. Smith

Houston District (12)

**1976**

Paul Lockhart, Jr.

Tyler District (10)

**1977**

Willard A. Collier

Beaumont District (20)

**1978**

William A. Lancaster

Odessa District (6)

**1979**

Jack V. Light

Amarillo District (4)

**1980**

Benny A. Alley

Austin District (14)

**1981**

Benjamin W. Bohuslav

Yoakum District (13)

**1982**

Frank D. Holzmann

San Antonio District (15)

**1983**

William Potter, III

Beaumont District (20)

**1984**

Herman E. Haenel

Maintenance & Operations

D-18, Austin

**1985**

Leiland L. Jett

Wichita Falls District (3)

**1986**

Richard D. Lockhart

San Antonio District (15)

**1987**

Leonard J. Vincik

Houston District (12)

**1988**

Billy R. Rogers

Highway Design Division

D-8, Austin

**1989**

Walter B. Collier

San Antonio District (15)

**1990**

Robert Cuellar

Transportation Planning Division, D-10, Austin

**1991**

Ken Bohuslav

Highway Design Division

D-8, Austin

**1992**

Mark Marek

Highway Design Division

D-8, Austin

**1993**

William Runnels

Atlanta District (19)

**1994**

Denis Warren

Houston District

**1995**

Sonny Loper

Dallas District

**1996**

Salvador Mercado

Laredo District

**1997**

Charles Gaskin

Houston District

**1998**

Terry Keener

Childress District

**1999**

James Cowan

Waco District (09)

**2000**

James E. Hunt

Dallas District (18)

**2001**

Kenneth W. Fults, P.E.

Construction Division

**2002**

Wm. (Randy) Cox, P.E. Bridge Division

**2003**

Robert B. Daigh, P.E.

Texas Turnpike Authority Division

**2004**

Clay R. Smith, P.E.

San Antonio District

**2005**

Douglas W. Eichorst II, P.E.

Odessa/Midland Area Office

**2006**

Paul E. Williams, P.E.

Dallas District

**2007**

Darren G. Hazlett

Construction Division

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**2008**

Elizabeth Hilton, P.E.

Design Division

**2009**

Gregory A. Ranft, P.E.

Houston District

**2010**

James R. Evans

Tyler District (Retired)

**2011**

Paul D. Frerich, P.E.

Yoakum District

**2012**

Steven Warren

Lubbock District

**2013**

Kames Koch, P.E.

Houston District

**2014**

Tracey L. Friggle Logan, P.E.

Dallas District

**2015**

James V. Hunt

Houston District

**2016**

Richard S. Williammee

Ft. Worth District

**2017**

Gina E. Gallegos, P.E.

San Antonio District

**2018**

Ceason Clemens

Dallas District

**2019**

Chad L. Bohne., P.E.

Bryan District

**2020**  
Kevin Pruski, P.E.  
Bridge Division

**2021**  
Miguel "Mike" Arellano, P.E.

Austin District

# BIOGRAPHICAL SKETCH

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| Name of candidate: | Social Security Number: |
| Employed by D/D/O: | Location: |
| Present title (include functional title): | Title held since: |
| Initial employment with TxDOT (place and date): | First job description: |
| Degrees held/colleges attended: | |
| Total TxDOT time (plus military service time, if applicable): | |
| Advancement record (showing titles in each position): | |
| Civic organizations and offices held: | |
| Professional organization and offices held: | |
| Articles Published: | |
| Name of spouse:  Name of children: | |
| Present address and phone number: | Date and place of birth: |
| Please add any information you choose (honors received, hobbies, etc.): | |