

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

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

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.):	