

# INEOA 2009 Awards Program

The International Narcotic Enforcement Officers Association is committed to providing recognition to law enforcement officers who have distinguished themselves in the line of duty. Each year the Association presents a number of awards to courageous and dedicated officers for their contributions in the area of drug enforcement. The awards presentation ceremony is one of the highlights of our annual international drug enforcement training conference.

## RECOMMENDATIONS FOR AWARDS ARE SOLICITED

Awards are based on recommendations received by INEOA from the law enforcement community. Submit recommendations to the INEOA Executive Director no later than **DATE TO BE ANNOUNCED**.

## AWARD CATEGORIES

### **INEOA MEDAL OF VALOR**

Awarded for an extraordinary act of heroism or for continuous duty performed at a great personal risk of life, occurring during the course of a drug enforcement investigation, operation, or prosecution, which clearly places an individual above his or her peers.

### **SPECIAL AWARD OF HONOR**

Awarded for an outstanding specific achievement or for an act of courage that does not meet the requirements for the Medal of Valor, occurring during the course of a drug enforcement investigation, operation, or prosecution.

### **INTERNATIONAL AWARD OF HONOR**

Awarded for an outstanding specific achievement or for an act of courage that does not meet the requirements for the Medal of Valor, occurring during the course of a drug enforcement investigation, operation, or prosecution, AND which involved a collaborative and cooperative effort between agencies of two different nations.

### **COMMENDATION AWARD**

Awarded for a specific achievement or a period of meritorious service occurring while performing duties related to drug enforcement, or drug abuse prevention and education.

## INSTRUCTIONS FOR COMPLETION OF RECOMMENDATION FORM

1. Include identifying information of every individual associated with an award recommendation.
2. Narrative description of action and circumstances in support of the recommendation should provide specific, factual examples of action or service performed. *Format as a MS Word document and submit via e-mail to [awards@ineoa.org](mailto:awards@ineoa.org). Insert awardee's name in email subject block.* Include Task Force and Operational names in narrative, if applicable.
3. Do not include any information that cannot be printed in the Narc Officer magazine (e.g. classified operation code names, suspect/subject names, UC identities).
4. Documents or photos included as attachments to recommendation forms will not be returned.
5. If nominee is a member of a Task Force, use their originating agency/unit of address.
6. Recommendation must be submitted or approved by person of higher rank or position than awardee. You may **not** recommend yourself for an award.
7. Mail or Fax the Award Recommendation Form along with a hard copy of your narrative.
8. Where necessary, forward recommendation to your agency's Headquarters for coordination, approval, and consolidated submission. If in doubt, check with your Headquarters.
9. Please contact INEOA with questions or concerns at (518) 463-6232.

**E-MAIL Narrative AND mail or fax a hard copy with the Recommendation Form to:**  
INEOA Executive Director John Ryan, Jr.-112 State St-Suite 1200 - Albany, NY 12207-2079,  
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