



California Association of Criminalists

Paul Kirk Presidents Award

NOMINATION FORM

The CAC *Paul Kirk Presidents Award* was established to recognize outstanding new members to the profession of criminalistics. This is a joint award with our sister organization, the Forensic Science Society of the United Kingdom. Every other year, the CAC selects one member to send to a meeting of the Society. The travel and meeting expenses are covered by the two organizations.

Self-nominations will not be accepted. Candidates must be members of the CAC in any status, and must be employed in the profession for fewer than six (6) years. Employment in the field is defined as full-time employment and shall not include time in pre-professional positions, such as an intern or laboratory technician. During the six-year qualifying period, the candidate should have demonstrated an interest in a professional organization, not limited to the CAC. Candidates must have made at least one of the following contributions to the profession:

- Research disseminated in the form of a publication (e.g. journal or newsletter), presentation of a paper at a seminar, or delivered at a workshop or study group
- Sustained production of papers or technical notes in newsletters or at seminars
- Casework which provided a significant contribution to the investigation or adjudication of one or more cases
- Training to law enforcement agencies, users of criminalistics services, or other criminalists
- Involvement in study groups in the form of organizing speakers or group data gathering projects which will benefit the forensic science community
- Development or design of materials which enhance the quality and integrity of evidence (e.g. evidence collection kits)
- Any other unusual or significant contribution to the improvement of the criminalistics profession

If you know of a member that is deserving of this award, please complete the nomination form or provide the required information by **June 30th**. Send nominations to:

CAC Awards Committee Chairperson
Contact information can be found at:
<http://committees.cacnews.org>
