

Southern Public Relations

HALL *of* FAME

Call for Nominations

The Board of Directors of the Southern Public Relations Federation is seeking nominations for the Southern Public Relations Hall of Fame. The Hall of Fame was founded to identify leaders in our industry who should be recognized and honored for their extraordinary achievements, accomplishments, and contributions to their organizations, communities and the public relations profession.

Induction into the Hall of Fame is reserved for only those whose accomplishments, commitment and leadership exemplify excellence in our profession.

To nominate someone, please complete the nomination form [here](#). Contact Patrice Guilfoyle, APR, SPRF Past President and Hall of Fame chair, for more information. The Induction Ceremony will be held during the SPRF Conference in Tuscaloosa, Alabama, Sept. 20-22, 2026.

While any member, member organization or chapter may nominate someone, the form requires the nominee's signature and local chapter details to ensure that the chapter is aware of the nomination and to allow the chapter to provide support for the nomination and recognition of the honoree.

CRITERIA

Criteria for selection include 25 years or more of professional experience by candidates who have had a positive and long-lasting impact on the practice of public relations in the Southeastern United States (personal or professional ties) and who:

- Have brought honor to the profession of public relations or made an exceptional contribution to their company, organization, city, state or region;

- May be deceased;
- Have shown leadership at the local, state, and regional levels of SPRF and chapters or similar professional Public Relations organizations; and
- Have demonstrated professional practice and behavior that are characteristic and consistent with the SPRF Code of Ethics

Hall of Fame candidates must be nominated by a SPRF member to be considered for selection.

HISTORY

The Southern Public Relations Hall of Fame was established in 2010 to recognize the distinguished accomplishments, commitment and leadership of professional public relations practitioners and educators

from the Southeastern United States, for the benefit of promoting the PR profession. Inductees are current and former Southern public relations practitioners or educators who have brought honor to the PR field.

The nomination deadline is May 22, 2026. If you have questions or need additional information, please contact Patrice Guilfoyle, APR, SPRF Past President and Hall of Fame chair, via email at pguilfoyle@umc.edu or via phone at 601-984-2841.



The Hall of Fame is co-sponsored by SPRF and the Mississippi State University Department of Communications and is permanently installed outside the John Grisham Room inside in the Mitchell Memorial Library on the campus of Mississippi State University in Starkville.



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SOUTHERN PUBLIC RELATIONS HALL OF FAME NOMINATION FORM

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and Mississippi State University Department of Communication*
(Deadline: May 22, 2026)

Nominee Name: _____ **Credentials:** _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone (Home): _____ **(Work):** _____ **(Cell):** _____

Title/Position: _____

Is the Nominee a SPRF member ___ yes ___ no If so, what Chapter? _____

Nominator Name or Organization: _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Telephone (Home): _____ **(Work):** _____ **(Cell):** _____

SPRF Chapter: _____ **Chapter President** _____

Signature of Chapter Nominee: _____

Attach/Include (Only nominations containing the following materials will be considered):

- Narrative (must be typed and no more than 500 words)
- Letters of Support (maximum of two)
- Biographical data /curriculum vitae (preferred but optional)
- Photo of nominee
- Include options for link to Linked In/Website/Online Support

Please submit this form and supporting materials [here](#).
For more information, visit the Hall of Fame page at www.sprf.org.