

APPLICATION



# SAFETY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR

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SAFETY AWARDS LUNCHEON  
SEPTEMBER 27, 2017

Recognizing Excellence in Construction Safety

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Dear Fellow Members,

This letter is intended for executives and decision makers from each of our ABC Mississippi member companies. The purpose of this letter is to draw attention to your "Safety Professional". As owners, we tend to focus on the bottom line and the many challenges associated with operating a construction business. Sometimes we miss the opportunity to give positive reinforcement to the people who are doing excellent work for our companies. I am writing about your Safety Professional and the value this person brings to your company.

Please take the opportunity to recognize this person by nominating him or her for the 2017 ABC Mississippi Safety Professional of the Year award. Enclosed you will find nomination instructions for this award. This is a very prestigious award within ABC Mississippi. It is also highly regarded nationwide as Mississippi is one of the largest ABC chapters. Applications will only be considered from ABC Mississippi member companies that have also applied for an ABC Mississippi Chapter Safety Award.

Recognition and presentation of this award will be at the **ABC Mississippi Chapter Safety Awards Luncheon on Wednesday, September 27 at the Country Club of Jackson**. In addition to great food, good fellowship and an excellent speaker, the luncheon will showcase the high level of achievement in construction safety of our ABC Mississippi member companies. This luncheon event will culminate with the announcement of the "Safety Professional of the Year" award. Please save the date for this event. A separate invitation will be mailed for the luncheon directing you to register online to attend.

Nominations will be reviewed and judged by the 2017 ABC Mississippi Safety Committee. You will find the Safety Committee members listed at the end of this application. The committee is available to assist you in any way possible in the submission of your application. **The deadline for nominations is Thursday, August 24, 2017. Nominations received after this date will not be considered.**

Thank you for the opportunity to serve as chairman of the 2017 ABC Mississippi Safety Committee. I am fortunate to be associated with a group of professionals whose ultimate goal is to provide the highest quality safety information, programs and training to our members.

Sincerely,

Jeff Peoples  
Chairman  
2017 ABC Mississippi Safety Committee



## 2017 SAFETY PROFESSIONAL OF THE YEAR AWARD

### Application Instructions

Below are the application instructions for the ABC Mississippi Safety Professional of the Year Award for 2017. This award is open to any individual with direct responsibility for the safety, health, and compliance for his/her organization, and who has shown exemplary achievement, performance, and commitment towards the safety and well-being, safety culture, and fellow employees of his/her organization.

#### QUALIFICATION CRITERIA

- This person should also be assigned to Mississippi as a routine daily assignment with his/her primary job function being the Safety Professional of the company.
- This person also must to be employed by a member of ABC Mississippi.
- Only member companies who have made application to the ABC Mississippi Chapter Safety Awards Program are eligible to submit an application for the "Safety Professional of the Year" award.

#### APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

The application narrative should be in a Microsoft Word or PDF format and it should include the following.

- Nominee's name, title, company name and tenure with the company.
- A detailed description as to why the respective nominee should be selected for this award.
- Supporting documentation, such as safety inspection frequency, company milestones, professional designations, and community involvement, is welcomed but not required.
- Any current accomplishments are welcomed, but criteria includes the nominee's entire tenure with your company.
- What sets him/her above a routine Safety Professional's expected performance?
- List any programs that have been created by the Safety Professional that are possibly cutting edge for the Company or the industry.
- List any items that have changed the safety climate of the Company or the Industry.
- List any challenges that were overcome inside the Company that the Safety Professional conquered.
- Describe a particular incident that the Safety Professional had an impact on for which they should receive recognition.

It is important to submit supporting documentation with the application. All applications will be reviewed and judged by the 2017 ABC Mississippi Safety Committee. A Safety Committee Member that is nominated will not participate in the judging. Any nominee that was previously nominated but not selected may re-submit.

The 2017 Safety Professional of the Year will be awarded using data that was accumulated for and accomplishments that occurred during their tenure with the company, not just for 2016.

The Safety Professional of the Year Award will be presented at the Safety Awards Luncheon on the afternoon of Wednesday, September 27, 2017, at the Jackson Country Club. The luncheon hours are from 12:00 noon until 3:00 pm. The deadline for receiving nominations is Thursday, August 24, 2017.

All applications should be submitted by August 24, 2017 to:

Sherry Dunlap, Safety Director, ABC Mississippi  
5165 Old Brandon Road, Pearl, Mississippi 39208

**QUESTIONS?** Contact Sherry Dunlap at [sherry@abcmississippi.org](mailto:sherry@abcmississippi.org) or 601.944.0421.



# **SAFETY PROFESSIONALS OF THE YEAR 2011–2016**

**2016**

**James Moore Brown**  
JESCO, Inc.

**2020 McCullough Boulevard • Tupelo, MS 38801-7108**

**2015**

**Russell Ramsey**  
Upchurch Plumbing, Inc.

**2606 Baldwin Road • Greenwood, MS 38930**

**2014**

**Christee Holbrook**  
Graham Roofing, Inc.

**769 W. Tibbee Road • West Point, MS 39773**

**2013**

**Mark Alvarez**

**White Construction Company**

**613 Crescent Circle, Ste. 100 • Ridgeland, MS 39157**

**2012**

**Mark Willcutt**

**JESCO, Inc.**

**2020 McCullough Blvd. • Tupelo, MS 38801-7108**

**2011**

**Coatney Tucker**

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**1385 Industrial Drive • Bolton, MS 39041**