Modjeska Monteith Simkins Award

for Civil Rights & Social Justice

Description

This award was established to honor the spirit of Modjeska Monteith Simkins for her dedication to African-American public health reform, social reform and the Civil Rights Movement in South Carolina. The Modjeska Monteith Simkins Award recognizes an active individual who is committed to social justices within his or her community.

Criteria

To be considered for this award, the candidate must:

- Engage in activism for social or civil rights that advances the cause of human rights for South Carolinians
- Empower others and encourage independence
- Demonstrate leadership, creativity and integrity in the community
- Be from a political, public or business arena
- Be born in South Carolina or have adopted South Carolina as his or her residing state for a period of time
- Be 18 years or older

Nominating Process and Procedure

Nominations for the Modjeska Monteith Simkins Award must be submitted by **Feb. 29, 2016.** Anyone may nominate a candidate. The award recipient will be determined by the Modjeska Monteith Simkins Award Committee. Only one candidate per nomination form, but nominators can submit multiple nominations. In addition to completing and submitting the nomination form, nominators will be asked to include:

- A one-page summary explaining why their candidate is being nominated for the Modjeska Monteith Simkins Award
- Supporting documentation for the candidate
- Contact information

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NOMINATION FORM

Deadline: Feb. 29, 2016

Part I: Contact information *(please print clearly)*

Nominee's Name _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Telephone (including area code) _____

Email Address _____

Birth Year (nominee must be 18 years or older) _____

Nominator's Name _____

Address _____

City, State, ZIP _____

Telephone (including area code) _____

Email Address _____

Part II: Summary of nominee qualifications

Provide a one-page summary about the nominee that describes his or her outstanding accomplishments and contributions to civil rights in South Carolina.

Part III: Nominee activities, accomplishments and publications

1. Provide a brief summary for each relevant activity and/or accomplishment that includes the following information:

- Description of the activity or accomplishment
- Date(s), if applicable, of the activity or event, including the city, community or neighborhood where it took place
- Results and/or benefits of the activity/accomplishment (be specific and include documentation, if applicable, indicating results)

2. Provide a list of any publications or communications (books, articles, newspapers, TV shows, etc.) that the nominee wrote, organized, appeared on or to which the nominee contributed. Include source information (copies of the work, the website address where the work can be found online, or the bibliographic reference of the work).

3. You may include a maximum of 5 optional supporting attachments (newspaper and magazine articles, book reviews, award presentations, etc.) CDs are acceptable. Do not send audio or videotapes; however, you can refer to a website (provide the complete web address) that has audio/visual components.

4. Provide a list of any previous awards that pertain to the nominee's contribution to social or civil rights.

Part IV: Nominator's acknowledgment

I understand that to the best of my knowledge:

•This information is factual and if any is found not to be factual, the nomination is null and void.

•This nomination form and accompanying materials will become property of the SC Fair Housing Conference Modjeska Monteith Simkins Award Committee and will not be returned.

•The Committee may notify the nominees or their representatives to request more information and may arrange for and conduct an interview (in person or by phone).

•The Committee has the right to use any information about the nominees in media releases, annual reports, publications and other communications as deemed appropriate by the Committee.

Signature _____

Printed Name _____

Date Signed _____

•The completed nomination form with supporting documents should be no more than 10 typed or handwritten pages.

•Due to reproduction quality, we cannot accept faxed submissions.

•If you have any questions about the award or this form, email mcaldwell@schac.sc.gov.

•Completed nomination forms with supporting documents and/or materials should be **emailed no later than midnight on Feb. 29, 2016** to mcaldwell@schac.sc.gov or mailed (4 copies of a CD or 4 hard copies of the nomination form and supporting documents required) with a **postmark date no later than Feb. 29, 2016** to:

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