

William T. Plass Award

Cover Page

1. Title: Title the document "Nominations of _____ for the William T. Plass Award, "inserting the name of the nominee in the blank.
2. Nominee: Include typewritten name, title, signature title, mailing address (with zip code) and telephone number (with area code).

Documentation of Nominee

1. Education: Give degree, academic field, institution and date of all education above high school diploma.
2. Work experience/career: List dates, employees, and location of all professional positions held, beginning with current position or last position held, if retired.
3. Professional Service: List membership and offices held in professional societies and honorary organizations, service on professional and/or technical committees. Indicate participation/role in professional organizations and/or committees, including offices. Mining industry organizations, environmental committees, guideline committees, etc., should be listed to support this item.
4. Honors and awards: List all honors and awards received and designate whether local, regional, or national. List chronologically and give descriptive nature of award (certificate, monetary, etc.).

Justification

A narrative statement (**not to exceed 4 single-spaced pages**) should describe the overall achievements and impact the nominee has had in the field of mining, reclamation, research and/or regulatory authority. Specific examples should be described to ensure that the committee can identify the importance of the accomplishment(s). Emphasis should be placed on describing how these accomplishments influenced regulation, reclamation, success/opportunities, development of personnel/students, reclamation technology, and resource protection/conservation over an extended time period. Publications can be included in this section if nominee was primarily a researcher, but should constitute no more than 3 single-spaced pages. Publications should be grouped by: refereed journal, conference/workshop proceedings, book chapters, university publications and popular articles. If publication record is greater than that, indicate the total number of publications in each category and provide a partial list including only the publications considered most significant. **Under no circumstances can this section exceed 3 pages.**

Supporting Letters

A maximum of four supporting letters should be included that further support the nomination. The letters should be written by people in positions able to address the national and international role the nominee has played in the described area of mining, reclamation, research, etc. It would be highly desirable for at least one of the letters to be from a person in a country different from that of the nominee. The person writing the letter should identify their relationship with the nominee and give a thorough description and evaluation of the nominee's role in the specific endeavors and accomplishments identified and should be limited to a single page in length if at all possible but definitely cannot exceed two pages and still be within the 12 page total length of the nomination. The letters can be from members and non-members of the Society, but cannot be solicited from members of the Awards Committee.

Nominations for this award must not exceed 12 pages. Any nominations exceeding 12 pages will be returned to the nominator (if time permits) for revision. This limitation is necessary to ensure that all nominees can be given an equitable evaluation. This page limitation is also necessary to enable ease in sending the nominations to the awards chairman for evaluation by the committee. Large voluminous nominations cannot be sent as attachments to some people because of server limitations.