

JAMES DAVID FAHNESTOCK Award

Criteria and Nomination Procedures

The **JAMES DAVID FAHNESTOCK Award** of the Measurement and Signature Intelligence (MASINT) Committee is presented to an individual, team, or organized unit for significant contributions to MASINT. This Award is given to civilian or military intelligence professionals recognizing exceptional achievement in MASINT as evidenced by significant contributions that have been made or will impact the major intelligence challenges facing the United States. The recipient's achievement will be in one or more areas of MASINT technical operations, scientific achievement, management, or training, associated with one or more elements (tasking, collection, processing, exploitation, or dissemination) of the intelligence cycle. While recognizing the achievement of the recipient, the award is also intended to serve as a performance inspiration and incentive for continuing excellence in MASINT. The MASINT Functional Manager is the selection authority for this award.

Nomination: For award consideration a nomination package including a transmittal letter, a narrative justification, and a candidate biography must be submitted. The transmittal letter should contain the nominee's name, grade/rank, complete mailing address, together with nominator information including name, grade/ rank, address, phone number and relationship to the candidate. A narrative justification, not to exceed 2 pages in length, must describe, clearly and in detail, the nominee's accomplishments, their current significance, their current or future impact, and any recognition the candidate has already received for these efforts. The biography should include appropriate background information on the nominee. In the case of a unit nomination, provide the names, grades/ranks of the unit's members; a unit POC's name; and, in place of a biography, a description of the unit and its function.

Evaluation: The selection sub-committee will evaluate nominees solely on the information in the nomination. Nominees will be evaluated against the following criteria:

- The uniqueness, initiative, and creativity associated with the achievement including the extent to which the accomplishment is DIRECTLY attributable to the nominee
- The impact (with specific evidence for actual impact or the rationale for projected impact) of the accomplishment on one or more major intelligence challenges facing the United States
- The impact (and associated evidence or rationale) of the accomplishment on the effectiveness of MASINT collection, tasking, processing, exploitation, dissemination, or management
- Any personal or professional risk associated with the accomplishment
- Lifetime MASINT achievement, per the biography, will be used as a "tie breaker"

Submission: Nominations provided through written correspondence should be addressed to the Defense Intelligence Agency, Building 6000, Washington, DC 20340-5100, Attn: MASINT Committee (MM), Mr. Dan Smith, Fahnestock Award Panel. Nominations may also be provided electronically to Mr. Dan Smith, phone 202-231-0354; classified JWICS e-mail: Daniel.s.smith@dodiis.ic.gov, and Mr. Horace Simpson, phone 202-231-0358; classified JWICS e-mail: Horace.simpson@dodiis.ic.gov. Unclassified submissions can be sent to:

Daniel.Smith3@dodiis.mil (NIPRNET) and Horace.simpson@dodiis.mil (NIPRNET).
Nominations must be sent to arrive no later than 10 November 2011.

Electronic submission is preferred. For questions or information regarding the Fahnestock award, please contact the National MASINT Committee, 202-231-0354. Nominations must be sent to arrive no later than 10 November 2011.

Selection: The MASINT Committee, upon recommendation of the selection sub-committee, will select the winner. A recipient may receive this award only once.