



Rhode Island Association of Assessing Officers
An Affiliate of the International Association of Assessing Officers



DENNIS SHEEHAN LIFETIME ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

The RIAAO Executive Board shall oversee the Dennis Sheehan Lifetime Achievement Award in accordance with the guidelines.

On August 19, 2022 the RIAAO Executive Board, along with the membership of the Rhode Island Association of Assessing Officers, recommended and approved establishing a lifetime achievement award to be named in honor of Dennis Sheehan. The award will be known as the 'Dennis Sheehan Lifetime Achievement Award. The award will be given to a RIAAO member for their life-time commitment to the assessing profession.

Dennis Sheehan was the first president of the RIAAO in 1962. He was the assessor in the towns of Barrington, North Kingstown, and Warwick. Dennis was co-author of the very first "Rhode Island Assessors' Handbook" which provided a practical reference tool for assessment professionals involved in the assessing function within Rhode Island cities and towns. It was hoped that the availability of the Handbook would contribute toward improvements of assessing practices and techniques in Rhode Island. Dennis was instrumental in forming the Society of Professional Assessors, along with Newport Assessor Kenneth Stein.

Criteria:

- RIAAO member in good standing for more than ten years; may include Life Members
- Untiring service to RIAAO membership during their career by serving on various committees, mentoring other assessors and assessment staff, and involvement with others in the appraisal profession
- Leadership of the association at the state, regional, and/or national level
- Promoter of excellence and education, urging others to pursue RICA, RICAP and IAAO designations

Nomination Process:

- Nominations may be made by any RIAAO member by July 1st and awarded at the Annual Meeting, typically held in September or October.
- Nominations shall be made on a form to be prescribed by the E-Board and shall include: the nominee's name, title, professional achievements, reason for nomination by the nominee and any other information pertinent to the award.
- If no nominations are received the Executive Board may make the nomination.
- The award shall be determined by majority vote of the Executive Board.
- More than one award may be given in any particular year