

Bryce Harlow Foundation

Integrity in Government Advocacy

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Bryce Harlow Foundation Announces Recipients of its 2019 Awards

WASHINGTON, D.C., February 25, 2019 – The Bryce Harlow Foundation, the national capital’s premier organization supporting the professions of lobbying and government advocacy, today announced the recipients of its 2019 awards.

Congressman James Clyburn (D–South Carolina) was selected to receive the prestigious Bryce Harlow Award, which honors an elected official whose career is built on championing the principles of integrity, dedication and professionalism -- echoing the work and life of the late Bryce Harlow. Clyburn is the Assistant Democratic Leader, the third-ranking Democrat, in the United States House of Representatives. When he came to Congress in 1993, he was elected co-president of his freshman class and quickly rose through leadership ranks, elected Chairman of the Congressional Black Caucus in 1998 and Vice Chair of the House Democratic Caucus in 2002. Three years later he was unanimously elected Chair of the House Democratic Caucus, and when Democrats regained the House majority in 2006, Clyburn was elevated by his colleagues to House Majority Whip. “We are delighted to present this award to Congressman Clyburn,” Bryce Harlow Foundation board member and dinner chair Randy Russell said. “He exemplifies the legacy of Mr. Bryce Harlow – through open discussion, honest exchange, willingness to work across the aisle, and good decision-making on behalf of the American people.”

Donna Harman, President & CEO of the American Forest & Paper Association, will receive the Bryce Harlow Business-Government Relations Award, which is given annually to a leader in government advocacy in recognition of an exemplary career in the profession. She is recognized by industry leaders and national public policymakers as one of the leading experts on public policy for the pulp, paper, packaging, and wood products manufacturing sector, which comprises nearly 4 percent of the nation’s manufacturing output. Before assuming her current role in May 2007, Harman was AF&PA’s senior vice president, policy and government affairs. She worked previously in government affairs for Champion International Corporation and The Dow Chemical Company after serving as a legislative assistant in Congress. Born in Elkhart, Kansas, Harman earned a bachelor’s degree in public affairs from Anderson University (Indiana) and a law degree from the American University. She is a member of the District of Columbia Bar Association, the

U.S. Chamber of Commerce's Association Committee of 100, is on RISI's Top 50 Power List for the pulp and paper industry and has been named to CEO Update's Top Association CEOs list. "Ms. Harman has a long history of supporting businesses through government advocacy and serving with integrity," Foundation chair Rich Gold said. "We are so pleased to honor her with this year's Business-Government Relations Award."

Both awards will be presented during the foundation's Annual Awards Dinner to be held on Wednesday, May 1, 2019, at the Marriott Marquis in Washington, D.C. Tickets for the event can be purchased at www.bryceharlow.org. Proceeds go to help outstanding graduate students who expect to pursue careers in government advocacy.

About the Bryce Harlow Foundation

The Bryce Harlow Foundation was established in 1981 in honor of the late Bryce Harlow to promote integrity within the lobbying profession and to increase the understanding of its essential role in the development of sound public policy. Bryce Harlow, who served under four U.S. presidents, established the first White House Congressional Liaison Office and served as its director during the Eisenhower and Nixon administrations. For more information or to make a tax-deductible donation, please visit www.bryceharlow.org.

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