

# THE CANADIAN TECHNOLOGY LAW ASSOCIATION Award of Distinction

The CAN-TECH Award of Distinction, presented annually, recognizes a member of the Canadian Technology Law Bar, who has a demonstrated record of excellence, and has made extraordinary contributions to the integrity of the profession, specifically contributing in the following areas:

- developing and demonstrating leadership and innovation in the practice area;
- acting as a mentor and contributing to the development of less seasoned legal professionals;
- commitment to advancing the profession;
- maintaining the highest standards of professional competence including integrity and civility; and
- commitment to the Technology Law Bar.

Eligibility	Nominees must be a current CAN-TECH member in good standing, excluding current members of the Executive and Board of Directors, with a minimum of twenty (20) years of practice.
Presentation	The award will be presented at a CAN-TECH Law event.
Nomination Procedure	<p>Nominations shall be solicited as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• a request for nominations by way of email sent to all current members of CAN-TECH;</li> <li>• social media promotion;</li> <li>• a specific note in the CAN-TECH newsletter; and</li> <li>• posted to the awards page of the CAN-TECH website.</li> </ul> <p>A CAN-TECH member in good standing is eligible to nominate a candidate by submission in writing of no more than two (2) pages double-spaced, together with the candidate’s curriculum vitae, which shall outline the nominee’s qualifications, and achievements in the area of information technology law. The nominator must indicate that the candidate has been advised of the nomination prior to the nomination deadline and consents thereto. Nominations are to be made by submitting the required documents using the online form by no later than September 22 each year.</p> <p>Nominations from across Canada are encouraged.</p>
Deadline for Applications	Nominations and supporting material must be filed online prior to a deadline to be set each year.



<p>Selection Process</p>	<p>The award recipient is selected by the Nomination Subcommittee. The subcommittee shall be comprised of at least three (3) members of the CAN-TECH Board of Directors, which is assisted in its deliberations by a Past President, President, and Vice President (said Subcommittee not to exceed seven (7) individuals), who shall consider the nominations submitted and make a recommendation to the executive. The executive will make a final determination as to (1) whether an award will be granted that year; (2) whether to approve the nominee selected by the Nomination Subcommittee or alternatively, the executive shall vote on a final slate of nominees short-listed by the Committee where the subcommittee is deadlocked.</p> <p>The Committee shall consider CAN-TECH guidelines on Diversity and Inclusion when selecting the winner of the Award.</p> <p>The number of awards to be presented annually will not exceed one (1).</p>
<p>The Award</p>	<p>A sculpture is presented to the recipient</p> <p>There is no monetary value to the award.</p>