Service Leaders Receive High Honors from America’s Service Commissions

Awardees Honored from Arizona, Arkansas, Colorado, Iowa, Louisiana, Maine, Maryland, Missouri, North Carolina, and Washington, D.C.

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WASHINGTON, DC, UNITED STATES, September 16, 2026 / EINPresswire.com/ -- Eleven leaders from across the nation were recognized in Washington, DC last night at the 2026 Innovation and Leadership Awards, hosted by America’s Service Commissions (ASC). The awards program is held each year to recognize the accomplishments of state service commission staff, commissioners, service programs, and champions of national service throughout the United States and its territories.

The 2026 ASC Innovation & Leadership Award Recipients include:

- Friend of America’s Service Commissions: Senator Bill Cassidy (R-Louisiana) and Senator Susan Collins (R-Maine)
- State Service Leadership Award: Governor Wes Moore (Maryland)
- Outstanding Commissioner: Col. Rebecca Lange (Colorado) and Amanda Nipper (Arkansas)
- Outstanding Commission Executive Director: Brittany Stiffler Crabtree (Missouri)
- Outstanding Commission Staff: Michelle Raymer (Iowa)
- Outstanding Service Program: Providing Access to Court Services AmeriCorps (Arizona)
- Outstanding Service Program Staff: Jane Atkinson (North Carolina)
- Honor Roll: Sandy Scott (Maryland) and Rhonda Taylor (Washington D.C)

“The recipients of ASC's 2026 Innovation & Leadership Awards exemplify the very best of national service,” said John Kelly, CEO of America’s Service Commissions. “Through their leadership, creativity, and commitment to strengthening communities, they are finding innovative solutions to complex challenges and inspiring others to serve. We are proud to recognize these outstanding individuals and organizations whose work is advancing our mission and creating lasting impact across the country.”

Learn more about the awards and awardees.

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About America’s Service Commissions

America’s Service Commissions (ASC) is a nonprofit, nonpartisan association representing and promoting the 52 state service commissions across the United States and territories with the mission to lead and elevate the state service network. State service commissions are governor-designated public agencies or nonprofit organizations made up of more than 1,000 commissioners, private citizens leading the nation’s service movement and administering more than 75 percent of the federal AmeriCorps State and National funding to address pressing community needs. Learn more at statecommissions.org.

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