

**1. Title**

Guidelines for the Santa Rita Award

**2. Rule and Regulation**

Sec. 1 Standards. A Systemwide award that may be made annually to an individual who has made valuable contributions over an extended period to The University of Texas System in its developmental efforts. An individual is defined as a person, as opposed to a corporation, charitable trust, foundation, and like entities. The recipient may be judged on the basis of a broad list of criteria, primary among which will be a demonstrated concern for the principles of higher education generally, as well as deep commitment to the furtherance of the purposes and objectives of The University of Texas System specifically.

1.1 Participation by the recipient in the affairs of the U. T. System shall be of such character and purpose to serve as a high example of selfless and public-spirited service. Of particular interest will be the effect that such individual activity may have engendered similar motivation from other public and private areas toward the U. T. System.

Sec. 2 General Conditions. The following general conditions apply to the award:

2.1 The award, to be known as the "Santa Rita Award," will consist of a medallion to be presented no more frequently than annually.

2.2 The award shall be made on behalf of the Board of Regents of The University of Texas System.

2.3 An individual may receive the award only once.

2.4 Posthumous awards may be given.

2.5 No member of the Board of Regents shall be eligible to receive the Santa Rita Award until the termination of the member's service.

Sec. 3 Nominations for Awards. Nominations for the award shall be forwarded to the Chairman of the Board of Regents or the General Counsel to the Board (Office of the Board of Regents,

The University of Texas System, 201 West Seventh Street, Suite 820, Austin, Texas 78701-2981). The nominator shall provide such supporting information and documentation as may be requested by the Chairman or the General Counsel to the Board.

Sec. 4 Selection of Awardees. Awards shall be made, upon recommendation of the Chairman of the Board following consultation with others including the Chancellor and other appropriate U. T. System officials, by a majority vote of members present at a Board of Regents' meeting at which a quorum is present.

**3. Definitions**

None

**4. Relevant Federal and State Statutes**

None

**5. Relevant System Policies, Procedures, and Forms**

None

**6. Who Should Know**

Administrators

**7. System Administration Office(s) Responsible for Rule**

Office of the Board of Regents

**8. Dates Approved or Amended**

December 10, 2004

**9. Contact Information**

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