

# *Distinguished Daughters of Pennsylvania*

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Dear Colleague:

I am pleased to invite your organization to submit a nomination for a woman to be recognized as a 2018 Distinguished Daughter of Pennsylvania. I ask that you NOT notify your nominee that you are recommending her as this is a confidential process.

In 1949 Governor Duff began the tradition of designating living women from across the Commonwealth as Distinguished Daughters. Since then, 13 Governors have named more than 500 women to this exclusive group.

For more than six decades an impressive cross-section of talented, dedicated, and influential women from every part of the state have been honored for the significant, positive impact their work has had in their communities, their Commonwealth and/or their country. Those selected to receive this honor are nominated annually by public-minded nonprofit Pennsylvania organizations such as yours. Women recognized as Distinguished Daughters have included but are not limited to:

*Architects Artists Athletes Business Executives Civic Leaders Educators Entrepreneurs  
Environmentalists Government Officials Historic Preservationists Judges Journalists  
Lawyers Philanthropists Physicians Poets Researchers Social Activists Writers*

Each year the Governor and First Lady host an Awards Luncheon at the Governor's Residence where new Distinguished Daughters receive their awards.

To access, complete and submit a Nomination Form, go to [www.distinguisheddaughtersofpa.org](http://www.distinguisheddaughtersofpa.org) and click on "Nominations". **Please note that you must include a head and shoulders jpeg photo of your candidate and submit it electronically along with the form by March 15, 2018.** You also may include a cover letter and up to two letters of support. This is a secure site and your nomination will remain confidential.

Enclosed is a description of Distinguished Daughters and the Regulations and Eligibility Requirements. If you have any questions, please contact the chairperson of your geographic region or if you can't reach them you can call **Vicki Flohr at 717-432-2018 (h) or 717-418-2249 (c)**.

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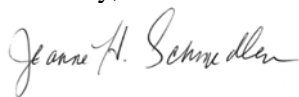
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