

## **Helen S. Willis Outstanding Commissioner Award**

## **AWARD DESCRIPTION**

This award was established in 1994. It was named to honor the vast contributions Helen S. Willis made to Michigan Society of Planning Officials during her 10 years as MSPO's executive director. The Helen S. Willis Outstanding Commissioner Award honors an individual who advanced or promoted the cause of planning in the public arena.

## **ELIGIBILTY**

Members of planning commissions, boards of zoning appeals, economic development board member, or other appointed board officials. (Persons earning their living as planners and elected officials are not eligible for this award).

## **CRITERIA**

Support of Planning. To what extent has the nominee's time and dedication increased the understanding of planning principles as well as the goals of the organization of which he/she is a part? How has this advocacy role been pursued?

Effectiveness. To what extent has the nominee promoted the cause and advanced the merits of planning? Within what sphere of influence has this effectiveness been realized?