Yankee Quill Nomination Form

NOMINEE INFORMATION

Honoring a career of extraordinary service to New England journalism.
Please review page three for guidelines and submission instructions before filling out the form.

NOMINEE DETAILS

Full name of nominee

Current position / title

News organization / employer

Business mailing address

Business telephone

Cell / home telephone

Home mailing address

Email address

PROFESSIONAL BACKGROUND

Previous positions held (include organizations and approximate dates)

Other affiliations (professional organizations, educational institutions, charities, etc.)

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CAREER ACHIEVEMENTS AND IMPACT

Use specific examples. Additional pages may be attached where needed.

DISTINCTIONS & CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Awards and honors (official name, date, citation excerpts, and reason for recognition)

Career highlights and exceptional accomplishments

IMPACT & REASONS FOR NOMINATION

How have these accomplishments advanced journalism, a free press, or the First Amendment?

Why does this individual merit the Yankee Quill? Include influence beyond routine duties.

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GUIDELINES AND SUBMISSION

ABOUT THE YANKEE QUILL

Presented annually by the Academy of New England Journalists through the auspices of the New England Society of News Editors, the Yankee Quill is considered the highest individual honor bestowed by fellow journalists in the six-state region.

The award recognizes broad influence for good across a career, primarily in New England. It honors contributions beyond excellent reporting, writing, or editing, including work to strengthen journalism, advance a free press, and uphold First Amendment principles.

ELIGIBILITY & REQUIRED MATERIALS

Open to journalists in print, digital, and broadcast media, including newspapers, magazines, online news organizations, radio, and television.

Submit this completed form and at least TWO supporting recommendation letters. Letters should describe how the nominee embodies the purpose of the Yankee Quill and provide specific examples of extraordinary achievements and lasting influence.

WHAT SUPPORTING LETTERS SHOULD ADDRESS

- Contributions to their own news organization: leadership, innovation, mentorship, service.
- Contributions to New England journalism: industry-wide impact, press freedom, advocacy.
- Community betterment: civic engagement, service, and meaningful community impact.

Letters from different perspectives are encouraged—for example, one from a close colleague and another from an industry peer or community leader. Go beyond general praise and routine dedication: explain what the nominee did, why it mattered, and its lasting impact.

NOMINATOR & ENDORSEMENT

Nominator name

Nominator email / telephone

Nominator signature (typed)

Date

Second nominator / NESNE or SPJ member signature (typed)

Date

Original form: if the nominator is not a NESNE or SPJ member, a member must co-sign.

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