# The Hans Severiens Award Honoring individuals who advance angel investing 2015 Nomination Information

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## **Award Criteria**

Nominations are currently being sought for the 2015 Hans Severiens Award, presented annually to one person to recognize their work in advancing the field of angel investing. Consideration for nomination is intentionally broad, from legislators to industry leaders to academia, in recognition of the extensive impact of angel investing. The winner will be selected from among nominees **who have influenced angel investing and contributed time and intellect to the advancement and awareness of angel investing**. Individuals may be self or third-party nominated.

## Honoring Dr. Severiens

Hans Severiens was one of the fathers of angel investment organizations. He founded the Band of Angels in 1994, one of the first angel investment groups in the United States, and which continues as one of the most active in the world. Hans freely shared his wisdom in angel investing to help others understand the value of angel investing and the model he developed for the Band of Angels; his mentoring activities encouraged and supported the establishment of many other angel groups.

## **Award Recognition and Benefits**

The recipient of the Hans Severiens Award will be recognized and honored at the 2015 Angel Capital Association Summit to be held April 14, 15, and 16 in San Diego, CA, at the awards ceremony on April 15th. All expenses will be paid for the recipient's trip to the Summit. The recipient will be announced publicly in a press release on that date, and information about the Hans Severiens Award and recipients will included on the ACA and ARI Web sites.

## **Award Timeline**

February 13, 2015 February 27, 2015 Nominations deadline Notification of winner (to recipient only)

## Eligibility

The criteria for nominee qualification are intentionally broad in recognition of the diversity of individual contributions to promotion and support of angel investing. Membership in an Angel Capital Association member group is not required for consideration for the award, nor is it a factor in judging.

## **Judging Criteria**

The Hans Severiens Award Committee consists of former winners of the award. Decisions of the Award Committee will be final. The Committee will make its selection based on a number of criteria including:

- 1. Depth and breadth of individual's impact on advancement of angel investing.
- 2. Leadership in bringing awareness to the vital role of angel investing in the support of entrepreneurial companies.
- 3. Contribution to the knowledge base on angel investing.
- 4. Respect and recognition by peers for contributions to the angel investment industry.
- 5. General accomplishments which have influenced or benefited the angel investment industry.

#### **Nomination Application**

To receive consideration for the award, all parts of the nomination form must be completed and received no later than February 13, 2015. Nominees may be self-nominated or nominated by another party.

Nomination forms may be submitted by the following mechanisms to Sarah Dickey:

- In print form at: Sarah Dickey Angel Capital Association 10977 Granada Lane, Suite 103 Overland Park, KS 66211
- 2. Electronically at: sdickey@angelcapitalassociation.org
- 3. By fax at: (913) 894-4707

#### **Previous Winners**

Hans Severiens Award winners have included:

- 2005 Bob Goff, Sierra Angels
- 2006 Jeffrey Sohl, Center for Venture Research, University of New Hampshire
- 2007 Luis Villalobos, Tech Coast Angels
- 2008 Stephanie Newby, Golden Seeds
- 2009 Bill Payne, Vegas Valley Angels and Frontier Angels
- 2010 John May, New Vantage Group
- 2011 James Geshwiler, CommonAngels
- 2012 -- John Huston, Ohio TechAngels
- 2013 -- Robert Wiltbank, Galois Inc.
- 2014 Jean Hammond, Launchpad Venture Group

## The Hans Severiens Award

**Nomination Form** 

Name of nominee:	
Contact information for nominee: Email:	
Address:	
Phone: Fax:	-
Nominee's organizational affiliation, if any:	
Name of nominator:	
Contact information for nominator: Email:	
Address:	
Phone: Fax:	-
Background on nominee: (This can include education, professional career, professiona accomplishments, and copy of resume/bio is welcome)	al
Nominee is deserving of receipt of the Hans Severiens Award because	
Others who can speak to worthiness of nominee: (must have 2 references)	
Others who can speak to worthiness of nonlinee. (must have 2 reletences)	

1. Contact information: (phone and email):

2. Contact information: (phone and email):