



ATLANTIC WOMEN IN LAW ENFORCEMENT (AWLE) 2026 AWARD NOMINATION



Submission Deadline: August 15, 2026

Rules and Submission Guidelines

1. Eligibility and Categories

Exceptional women in law enforcement may be nominated in a maximum of **two (2)** of the **eleven (11)** award categories. A **separate submission** is required for each category to ensure the nominee's achievements are assessed appropriately.

All submissions will be reviewed by an independent Awards Committee, which will select the recipients.

2. Nomination Requirements

Nominations must clearly describe the nominee's demonstrated behaviours in relation to the selected category. Submissions should be **detailed, clear, and concise**.

The nomination must include the following sections:

a) Introduction (Maximum 200 words / half page)

Provide an overview of the nominee, including:

- o Current position
- o Length of time in the role/rank
- o Key duties and responsibilities

b) Demonstration of Excellence (Maximum 1400 words / 3.5 pages)

- o Identify the position or responsibilities relevant to the nominated category (if different from current role).
- o Clearly explain how the nominee performs these duties in an **exceptional manner** aligned with the award criteria.
- o Provide **specific examples of demonstrated behaviours and accomplishments**.

Note: General statements such as "exceeds expectations" are insufficient. The Awards Committee may not be familiar with agency-specific terminology. Please avoid acronyms or clearly explain them.

c) Optional Biography (Maximum 400 words)

A short biography may be included as a **stand-alone document**. It will not be combined with other sections.

3. Supporting Documentation

Supporting materials (e.g., letters of commendation, performance evaluations, media articles, photos) **will not be accepted or considered**.

4. References

Provide the names and phone numbers of **two (2) references** who can verify the accuracy of the nomination if required.

5. Submission Process

- o Submit nominations electronically in **Word or PDF format**
- o Send to: **AWLE President, Jennifer Clarke**
- o Email: **president@awle.org**
- o Deadline: **August 15, 2026**

Additional nomination forms are available at:

<http://awle.org.awards/>

6. Notification Process

- o Award recipients will be notified by telephone.
- o Awards may not be presented in categories where submissions do not meet the required standard of excellence.

7. International Submission

All award recipients will have their nominations forwarded to the **International Association of Women Police (IAWP) Awards Program** for consideration in the following year.

For additional information, please contact **AWLE President Jennifer Clarke**.