

# NAR DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD (DSA) IMPORTANT QUALIFYING CRITERIA FOR DSA CANDIDATES

**Please read carefully!**

**The DSA Council will only consider a nomination that meets the following Criteria:**

1. Candidates and/or their associations must complete the application in the order in which the information is requested:
  - Local Board / Association
  - State Association
  - National Association
  - Institutes, Societies & Councils
  - Multi-Cultural Real Estate Organizations
  - Additional Information

On the page for each level of the organization (local, state & national), it is important to list **first** any leadership positions (i.e. Officer or Chair) and awards (i.e. REALTOR® of the Year). Remaining items should be placed in descending order. Be as organized as possible when completing this information.

2. Candidates must have **25 years** of service with the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®, including leadership positions within the Local, State and National level, and the Institutes, Societies and Councils.
3. Candidates must have performed in leadership positions at **ALL** levels of the REALTOR® organization – local, state and national associations and **remain actively involved**.
4. Candidates must be a REALTOR® in good standing, currently licensed or certified and **active** in the real estate industry.
5. Candidates have been recognized as a local leader whose performance of service and involvement in political and community activities is extraordinary.
6. Candidates **cannot** have served as President of the NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF REALTORS®.
7. Letters of endorsement from the candidate's local and state associations are the **ONLY** endorsements that will be considered by the Council. **All other forms of endorsements, written or oral, will not be considered and are not helpful to the candidate.**
8. Candidates who have invested in RPAC must make sure that this information is **only** listed under "Additional Information" (*page 5-6 of the Application*). Contributions to RPAC are important; **HOWEVER**, it is not a reason candidates are awarded the DSA.
9. A professional headshot of all candidates is required in the form of a high-resolution electronic file. To ensure clarity, the photo should have a minimum resolution of 1200 x 1600.

**Deadline for submission is Friday, April 18, 2025**