**The John Merklinger Legacy Award**

**Criteria:**

* Outstanding leadership within their own agency, 9-1-1 associations\*, New York State or the broader 9-1-1 community
* Dedication to the principles and ideals of our industry
* Advocates on behalf of 9-1-1
* Pushes the NG 9-1-1 agenda forward
* Active within the 9-1-1 community (local, state, federal and/or 9-1-1 associations\* committees, projects and/or programs)
* Ability to bring people together
* Demonstrates continuous learning and stewardship
* Ability to inspire or promote innovation

\*9-1-1 associations include, but are not limited to, NYS 9-1-1 Coordinators, SIEC, NENA, APCO and the like

Please, use the attached form for your nominee explaining and/or providing examples how your nominee meets the criteria.

Send your nomination form(s) to Lisa Sears ([Lisa.Sears@erie.gov](mailto:Lisa.Sears@erie.gov)) no later than Monday, April 15, 2019 for board consideration.