Hughes Center at Stockton Seeking Nominations for Inaugural Civility in Government Awards

Nominating Committee Collecting Input From Government, Civic Leaders and Public

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Galloway Township, NJ- The William J. Hughes Center for Public Policy at The Richard Stockton College of New Jersey is seeking nominations for its inaugural Civility in Government and Politics Award.

The award, to be presented at an annual dinner reception at Stockton's Campus Center, will recognize an appointed or elected New Jersey official that conducts the public's business with civility and respect for others. In addition to suggestions from a blue ribbon nomination committee and those solicited from over 100 leaders in government and academia, the Hughes Center welcomes nominations from the public. All net proceeds from the award dinner will be

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According to Stockton President Herman J. Saatkamp, Jr., the Center's steering committee decided to name the award after Ambassador Hughes himself.

"There can be no finer example than Ambassador Hughes of a public servant putting the interests of his constituents' ahead of his own and ahead of political expediency," Dr. Saatkamp said. "The Ambassador has built an enviable reputation for his ability to legislate in an honorable and civil fashion. It is fitting that we have instituted the William J. Hughes Civility in Government and Politics Award and it is our hope that others will strive to achieve the Ambassador's standard."

According to Schulman, nominations are being sought after for individuals who are currently, or have been, in the public sector of New Jersey who consistently demonstrates a majority of the following characteristics while attaining the position and fulfilling his/her fundamental duty to represent constituents: