



2026 50-YEAR BANKER AWARD

The Texas Bankers Association is proud to promote for the 37th consecutive year the recognition of bankers who have devoted 50 years or more of service to the banking industry. All eligible nominees will be honored at a luncheon at TBA's Annual Convention in May 2026.

Eligibility:

Any Texas banker who has attained at least 50 years or more of credited service prior to December 31, 2026, is eligible. Eligibility is also subject to the following conditions:

- At least 10 years of banking in Texas is required; and at the time of proposal for the award, such person shall be active as a director, officer or employee of a Texas bank, bank holding company or bank holding company subsidiary whose principal purpose is to supply bank-related services.
- If the candidate completed 50 years of service to the industry and subsequently retired from a Texas institution, the award may be bestowed in retirement.
- Years of banking service rendered in other states may be credited if the above condition is met.
- U.S. military service counts in the 50-year span if the nominee is in banking prior to and subsequent to the time spent in military service.
- Years after retirement in which the candidate works part-time for a bank, as a consultant for a bank, or as a member of the Board of Directors may be counted toward the 50-year total; however, these endeavors must be the principal endeavors of the candidate for those years to be counted.
- Bank membership in the Texas Bankers Association must be current.
- The 50-Year Banker Award may be presented posthumously if the candidate had qualified for the award prior to death.

50-Year Banker Award recipients will:

Honorees will receive an award commemorating the milestone and a booklet that includes a picture and brief biographical sketch of each award recipient. Honorees will be recognized in Texas Banking magazine and in posts on TBA's social media channels. A press release honoring all of the 2026 honorees will be distributed by TBA.

Nomination should include:

- The completed nomination form signed by the bank president, CEO or board chairman.
- Nominee's completed answers to each of the questions asked on the nomination form. **Questions and answers may be submitted in a Word Document if more convenient.**
- Glossy headshot of nominee.
- Additional photos of the nominee for the presentation video. Include 7-10 high resolution photos of honoree at bank and community service events (past as well as more recent). **Please also provide 3-4 family photos.**

Entries must be submitted by **Friday, January 30, 2026.**

Please keep a copy of the entry, and do not submit irreplaceable materials.

Questions?

Contact Foundation Director Jocelyn Carby at jocelyn@texasbankers.com.

NOMINATION FORM

NAME OF NOMINEE (as it should be engraved on plaque)	TITLE	YEARS IN BANKING
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MAILING ADDRESS OF NOMINEE	CITY	STATE	ZIP
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NOMINEE'S PHONE	NOMINEE'S E-MAIL
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BANK CONTACT NAME	TITLE	E-MAIL	PHONE
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NAME OF BANK PRESIDENT/CEO/CHAIRMAN	BANK
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SIGNATURE OF BANK PRESIDENT/CEO/CHAIRMAN

IS NOMINEE RETIRED FROM BANKING? ☐ YES ☐ NO

ALSO INCLUDE:

NOTE: Questions and answers may be submitted in Word document if more convenient.

Name of bank where nominee began career and first position held:

When did nominee join current bank (month/year)?

Banking biography — include other banks you have worked for (with dates), positions held, etc.

Name past and present community organizations or committees nominee has served on or been a part of:

What awards or recognitions has nominee received during his/her career:

Nominee attributes longevity in banking to:

Nominee's favorite part of working for the banking industry for 50 years has been:

Advice nominee would give to a young professional entering banking is:

The thing I miss most about banking in the good old days is:

Statement about honoree from bank president, CEO or board chairman making the nomination (Optional). Please include name of person making statement.

Where was honoree born and raised?

What high school, college, university, etc., did nominee attend/graduate and the degree(s) received.

If nominee served military service, what branch, when, where, etc?

Family, name of spouse/years married, names of children/grandchildren or other family:

Additional statement or information nominee would like to share.

Please provide a current glossy color headshot of the honoree as well as 7-10 photos of honoree throughout their career. The photos should include nominee at bank and community events and 1-2 family photos.

Note: This information is used during the presentation ceremony, for the commemorative booklet, news releases and magazine/website article.

Send completed nomination form, photos and any additional information to:
Jocelyn Carby, Foundation Director – jocelyn@texasbankers.com