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CANDIDATE NAME Celia Desmond

BIOGRAPHY: Celia Desmond, established and ran the PMO for Echologics. Her team managed all proposals, contracts and project management processes. She is President of World Class – Telecommunications, providing telecommunications management training. Celia has lectured internationally on programs for success in today's changing environment. As Director at Stentor Resource Center Inc., she was instrumental in establishing governance, culture and service/product development processes. At Bell Canada, Celia provided strategic direction to corporate planners, ran technology/service trials, standardized equipment, and supported large business clients.

Celia was 2016-2017 IEEE Division III Director. She has held numerous IEEE positions including, Secretary, IEEE VP – Technical Activities, ComSoc President, IEEE Canada President, VP Technology and Engineering Management Society and Project Director for ComSoc's Wireless Engineering certification. Celia holds MSc. Engineering, B.Sc. Mathematics & Psychology, Ontario Teaching Certificate and PMP certification. Celia has taught kindergarten, high school, and at 5 universities. She is author of 2 Project Management books.

CITATION:

For promoting and implementing cross-Society technical activities for young professionals and women in engineering.

DESCRIPTION OF ACCOMPLISHMENT(S) RELATIVE TO THE CREATION, DEVELOPMENT, OR ADVANCEMENT OF THE TECHNICAL OBJECTIVES OF THE IEEE:

- Established certification program for Wireless Communications engineering
- Held active leadership positions in both a large and a small Society for over 15 years
- Chaired TAB in 2016
- Established multiple workshops within ComSoc to extend the reach of IEEE to 'end users' of technology in multiple industries worldwide
- Participated in multiple awards committees, ensuring that names of women and minorities were considered for awards, and often selected
- Speaks as an advocate of bringing Young Professionals along to assume leadership roles, to ensure a solid future for IEEE
- Encouraged over 50 young people from around the world to become active in IEEE Societies, including them on committees and in leadership roles
- Advocated for diversity at leadership levels in IEEE in TAB both through the earlier Transnational Committee and through current TAB activities as WIE rep and Young Professionals Rep
- Encouraged cross communication and pollination across Societies
- Encouraged cross communication between TA and Societies

RELEVANT IEEE ACTIVITIES:

Division III Director 1996-1997, 2016-2017

Region 7 Director 2000-2001

Communications Society President 2002-2003

TAB VP 2006

IEEE Secretary 2007 and 2012

VP Membership TEMS (2015-2016), TMC (2012-2014)

VP TAC and Education, TEMS 2017-2018

Parliamentarian, Region 7 2017 +

TAB rep to Young Professionals (2017 and 2018) and TAB rep to WIE (2017)

Honorary Member Committee 2014

TAB Hall of Honor committee 2015-2017

Eric Herz Award Committee 2018

Harandan Pratt Award Committee 2017