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2016 George Graham Award for Exceptional Service to the Academy
Awarded to Jonathan D. Breul
The Academy Honors Breul Today at Annual Fall Meeting

WASHINGTON, DC -- The National Academy of Public Administration (the Academy) today honored Jonathan D. Breul for his contributions to the Academy with the 2016 George Graham Award for Exceptional Service to the Academy, which was awarded today at the Academy’s annual Fall Meeting.

“During his two decades as an Academy Fellow, Jonathan has provided intellectual leadership, superior analytic skills, and dedication to the Academy,” said Sy Murray, Chairman of The George Graham Award for Exceptional Service to the Academy Committee. “He has consistently provided valuable insights on matters strategic, tactical, and practical. Jonathan has been a tremendous asset to the Academy and we are pleased to present him with this recognition.”

Jonathan Breul’s service to the Academy has ranged from serving on Standing Panels to two terms on the Board of Directors, with an outstanding record on project panels and special committees. He has enriched the Fellowships as a speaker at the Fall Meeting and at Standing Panel sessions. He has consistently been present as a regular attendee at awards ceremonies, annual meetings, and special events, fully demonstrating what it means to be integrated into the Academy’s purposes.

In putting forth Jonathan Breul for consideration for the Graham Award, those nominating him noted that “Jonathan has participated in significant Academy activities during every year he has been a Fellow, and that participation has entailed intellectual rigor, a firm belief in sound governance, and a dedication to collaboration with rigor, all tempered by a generous spirit and twinkling sense of humor.”

Named after the Academy’s first executive director, the George Graham Award for Exceptional Service to the Academy was established to recognize Academy Fellows “who have made a sustained and extraordinary contribution toward the Academy becoming a stronger and more respected organization.” Each nomination must be
endorsed by five or more Fellows; each nomination must be submitted to the Board Chair who shall recommend and appoint an ad hoc committee to review the nominations and the committee shall present a recommendation to the Board for its decision.

Sy Murray served as Chairman of The George Graham Award for Exceptional Service to the Academy Committee. Other Committee members included Enid Beaumont, David Chu, Frank Fairbanks, Mary R. Hamilton, and Jacqueline Rogers.


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