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NOMINATION CRITERIA

Sponsor Information

Full Name

Company

Job Title

Phone Number

Email Address

ABC Chapter

Relationship to Nominee

Nominee Information

Full Name

Email Address

Endorsement of Nominee

In 250 words or fewer, explain why you are nominating this person to receive the ABC Young Professional of the Year award. Details to consider are their leadership skills and roles, job performance, ABC involvement and embodiment of the merit shop philosophy and community involvement.

RECOGNITION

ABC's Young Professional of the Year will receive a \$10,000 cash prize, a plaque and a feature in *Construction Executive* magazine. Plus, the winner will receive a free registration to ABC Convention 2026, March 18-20, in Salt Lake City, where he or she will be recognized during the Opening General Session.

Learn more about ABC Convention 2026 at abcconvention.abc.org.

TIMELINE

Nominations must be submitted by Friday, Oct. 10, and nominees must complete their application online by Friday, Oct. 17, to be considered. Finalists will be contacted by Monday, Nov. 10, to schedule virtual interviews for Thursday, Dec. 4.

ELIGIBILTY

Nominees must:

- Currently be employed by an ABC member firm in good standing
- Be under the age of 40 as of Dec. 31, 2025
- Secure approval from their supervisor before applying (supervisors must email cwa@abc.org)

Please note: Self-nominations are prohibited, and past winners are not eligible.

TERMS AND AGREEMENTS

By submitting an application, you grant ABC and its designees a worldwide, non-exclusive, sublicensable, assignable, royalty-free, perpetual, irrevocable right (including moral rights) and license to use, reproduce, distribute, create derivative works based on, perform and/or display such nomination, and any photographs, comments, ideas or other information provided (in whole or in part) in any media now known or hereafter developed, for any purpose whatsoever, without compensation to you or any other provider of the nomination. In addition, you acknowledge that to the extent that you include personally identifiable information in your nomination, ABC may republish such information.

Important: This document does <u>not</u> serve as the nomination form. Nominations must be submitted electronically. Complete the nomination form today at <u>abc.org/cwa</u>. For questions or help, email cwa@abc.org.

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APPLICATION CRITERIA

Demographic Information

| Full Name | Number of Years in the Industry |
|---------------|---------------------------------|
| Company | Date of Birth |
| Job Title | Highest Education Completed |
| Phone Number | ABC Chapter(s) |
| Fmail Address | Include a Professional Headshot |

Company Mailing Address

ABC Experience (national and/or chapter)

Are you engaged with the ABC National Young Professionals network?

Did you attend an ABC national conference in the past year? If yes, specify.

Do you participate in an ABC chapter or national committee? If yes, specify.

Do you have a PAC badge? If yes, what level?

Did you recruit any new ABC members to your chapter in the last year? If yes, how many?

Free Response Questions (answers are limited to 250 words each)

- 1. What has been your biggest professional accomplishment in your career?
- 2. What personal achievement are you most proud of?
- 3. What impact do you hope to have on the industry over the next 10 years?
- 4. What have you done to support and promote ABC's commitment to free enterprise and the merit shop philosophy?
- 5. Describe how you have pursued professional development over the past five years.
- 6. Have you ever been involved in an ABC apprenticeship, craft training or student chapter program as a mentor and/or instructor? If so, explain your role.
- 7. Describe how you personally demonstrate ABC's commitment to industry-leading safety leadership in your company.
- 8. What other community organizations or programs are you involved with outside of the workplace (i.e., community involvement, charitable organizations, extracurricular activities)?
- 9. List any other professional organizations that you are actively engaged with and explain your role.
- 10. List two professional references—full name, company, job title, phone number and email address.

AWARD

ABC presents the annual Young Professional of the Year award to an individual under the age of 40 who is dedicated to the merit shop and is a natural leader and top performer in his or her field based on career achievement, leadership and vision for the future of the commercial and industrial construction industry.





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DISCLAIMER

Accept or Decline

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