John D. Robinson Founder’s Scholarship

ARBO has established the Founder’s Scholarship in honor of Dr. John D. Robinson, former member of the Board of Directors, long-time Secretary, and ARBO Life Member. The scholarship each year to a person from an active ARBO member board who demonstrates the same passion and vision for the regulation of optometry that Dr. Robinson exemplified. (Note: Multiple scholarships may be awarded.)

Founder’s Scholarship Details:
ARBO Member Boards may nominate one of their Board members or staff for the scholarship. The recipient of the award will receive the following:

- Complimentary registration for the Annual Meeting
- Accommodations for up to three nights at the meeting hotel
- Airfare to the meeting city (coach class, reservation must be made at least 2 weeks in advance of the meeting)

Founder’s Scholarship Criteria:

- Must be a Board member or staff person of an ARBO Member Board in good standing for at least 3 years.
- Candidate must be nominated by the leadership of an ARBO Member Board.
- Nominations must be submitted by March 30, 2023.
- Submit a letter on your Board letterhead stating why you feel the candidate should be given the scholarship.
- Include the following in your letter:
  - Background information on your candidate— length of time on your Board, positions held, involvement in ARBO activities, etc.
  - Regulatory Board program support— Briefly explain any programs/projects for which your candidate has made significant contributions to your regulatory Board.
  - Community/Civic Involvement— List any community and/or civic activities your candidate is involved with.
  - Provide any additional information that you would like the committee to know about your candidate.
- The ARBO Annual Meeting Planning Committee will review applications and recommend a recipient to the ARBO Board of Directors for their final approval.
- The recipient will be notified by April 14, 2023.

To be considered for the scholarship for the 2023 ARBO Annual Meeting, please submit your nominations to Lisa Fennell, ARBO Executive Director, by email: lfennell@arbo.org no later than March 30, 2023.