



Stanley Cohen Distinguished Research Award

The Stanley Cohen Distinguished Research Award was created to recognize outstanding research and/or research achievements in the field of family and divorce. The award is named for the late Dr. Stanley Cohen, founding member of AFCC who served as executive director and co-editor of the *Review*.

Criteria for selection

The award recognizes a combination of the following outstanding achievements:

- The recipient's exceptional social science research or legal scholarship in the field or profession.
- The recipient's contribution to research in the community and other projects or initiatives.
- The recipient's contribution and leadership in the field/profession.
- The recipient's contributions to AFCC including publishing in the Family Court Review and presenting at and attending conference.
- The recipient's demonstrated commitment to the **mission** and organizational values of AFCC.

Eligibility

Open to all; AFCC membership is considered, but not a requirement for this award.

To make a nomination

To make a nomination, you must submit it online via the SurveyMonkey form. Click [here](#) to access the online form for this award. **Nominations must be received by March 18, 2025.**

To complete the application, you will need the following information:

1. The name, mailing address, email address, phone, and fax numbers, of the person submitting the nomination. **You must be an AFCC member of five years or more to submit award nominations.**
2. The name, mailing address, email address, phone, and fax numbers, of the nominee.
3. Written responses detailing how the nominee meets the following criteria (up to 150 words per response):
 - a. The recipient's exceptional social science research or legal scholarship in the field or profession.
 - b. The recipient's contribution to research in the community and other projects or initiatives
 - c. The recipient's contribution and leadership in the field/profession
 - d. The recipient's contributions to AFCC including publishing in the Family Court Review and presenting at and attending conferences.
 - e. The recipient's demonstrated commitment to the mission and organizational values of AFCC.

4. The name, email address, phone number of one professional reference for the nominee, including a brief description of the nominee's professional relationship with the reference.

Decision

The recipient of the award shall be chosen from the submitted candidates by a majority vote of the AFCC Awards Committee.

Presentation

This award will be presented at the AFCC Annual Conference.

Questions

Contact Patrick Sommer at AFCC, (608) 664-3750 or psommer@afccnet.org.