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ASBA Announces Industry Award Winners

Forest Hill, MD – The American Sports Builders Association (ASBA), the national organization for design professionals, builders and suppliers of materials and equipment for athletic facilities, has announced the winners of its industry awards of recognition.

Winners of awards were announced at the Association's 2024 Technical Meeting, presented from December 3-6 in Orlando, Florida. The meeting served as a testament to ASBA's growing membership, as well as its reach in the industry, having a record-breaking attendance of nearly 1,400 individuals.

The Industry Merit Award, ASBA's highest honor, given in recognition of exemplary service to the Association, was presented to Alex Levitsky (Global Sports & Tennis Design Group, LLC, Frenchtown, New Jersey). Levitsky, a longtime member of the Association, has been actively involved as a presenter at meetings and an active member of the Professional Division of ASBA.

Additionally, Levitsky has been a member of the Joint Editorial Boards for the publications, *Tennis Courts: Construction and Maintenance Manual*, *Pickleball Courts: Construction & Maintenance Manual* and *Courts & Recreational Surfaces: Construction and Maintenance Manual*. He has been the graphic designer for all three publications, contributing construction and design diagrams and being an active part of the review, updating and editing process.

In nominating Levitsky for the award, David Clapp, CTCB, past chairman of the Association, noted, "Alex has been involved in the association since the mid-1990s. He has advised or served on countless committees. Maybe his greatest contribution to our association has been his unselfish willingness to volunteer his time, expertise, and technical prowess to generate the drawings and illustrations that populate our manuals. He has served in other partner associations to ASBA such as ASTM and through such associations has represented ASBA both in formal and informal capacities. In short, he has brought to ASBA a wealth of knowledge, input, and published documents, for which we could never fully thank him."

Also during the Technical Meeting, *Racquet Sports Industry Magazine* announced the winner of its **Court Builder/Contractor of the Year Award**, recognizing outstanding contributions in tennis facility construction. This year, the award was presented to Welch Tennis Courts (Sun City, Florida). The company, a longtime member of ASBA, has long been active in the Association. Its personnel have pursued certification, spoken at meetings and served on the Board of Directors, with two officers, George Todd and Peggy Beard, having held the office of Chairman.

Racquet Sports Industry Magazine, which partners with the ASBA to present relevant awards, is the largest business-to-business racquet sports publication in the world. The January 2025 issue of *Racquet Sports Industry Magazine*, which lists all the Champions of Tennis, is also available online at www.tennisindustrymag.com.

The ASBA is a non-profit association comprised of designers, builders and suppliers in sports facility construction. The ASBA sponsors informative meetings, publishes a quarterly magazine, books and technical construction guidelines for athletic facilities, produces a mobile app containing diagrams of sports facilities and keeps its members aware of the latest developments in the industry. Additionally, ASBA offers voluntary certification programs in tennis court, running track and sports field construction, as well as a certificate program in pickleball court construction. It also has a philanthropic initiative, the [American Sports Builders Foundation](#) (ASBF).

For information on the ASBA, as well as on its publications, activities and upcoming meetings, contact the Association at 2331 Rock Spring Road, Forest Hill, Maryland 21050. The phone number is 443-640-1042. The ASBA also may be reached electronically via its website: www.sportsbuilders.org, or via e-mail at info@sportsbuilders.org.